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Births.

BRETT.—March 10, at Watson's Bay, May, the wife of W. F. Brett, of a son.

FARLEY.—March 4, at her residence, Coolabah, Point Piper, the wife of W. Farley, of a son.

Marriages.

FRASER—BAIN.—March 15, in this city, by Rev. T. J. Curtis (Church of the Covenant), Thomas Fraser to Margaret Bain.

HALES—STEWART.—March 7, at the residence of the bride's aunt, Yarildun, Snails Bay, by the Rev. J. Cosh, M.A., Frederick William, eldest son of F. B. Hales, P.M., Bombala, to May, eldest daughter of the late Henry Stewart, Bombala.

TICKLE—LAMB.—February 9, at St. Stephen's, Gloucester-street, London, by the Rev. J. P. Waldo, vicar, assisted by the Rev. C. T. Hatt, Arthur Henry, eldest son of J. B. Tickle, Esq., of 2 Palace-gate Mansions, London, and Sydney, N.S.W., to Violet Helena, eldest daughter of the late Alfred Lamb, Esq., of Sydney, N.S.W.

Deaths.

DWYER.—March 16, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Parramatta, Patrick Dwyer, late of Holt-street, Surry Hills, aged 48 years. R.I.P.

FRASER.—At his residence, Eureka Villa, London-street, Enmore, John Fraser, aged 72, late of Carnarvon, Queensland.

LEAKE.—March 15, at the Adelaide Hospital, after a protracted illness, William Henry Leake, tragedian, aged 57. At rest.

MAY.—March 16, at Terminus Inn, Ashfield, the youngest daughter of James H. T. and Henrietta May, aged 2 months and 16 days.

MENSER.—March 13, at the residence of her brother-in-law, L. H. Levy, Minora, 122 Dowling-street, Moore Park, Julia, relict of the late Liphman Menser, for many years a resident of Parramatta, aged 46, leaving one son to mourn her loss.

WALLACH.—March 16, at Dalbeattie Villa, Donnelly-street, Balmain, Ida Wilhelmina, the beloved wife of James Wallach, and youngest daughter of the late William Wright, aged 20 years.

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*Ballaarat	4748	E. Ashdown	April 16	April 23	April 27
*Par'amatta	4771	R. G. Murray	April 30	May 7	May 11
Britannia	6867	J. Orman	May 14	May 21	May 25
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Burrumbeet (Huddart, Parker's), March 25, 5 p.m.
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TO STEAMBOAT PROPRIETORS.—Coir Rope, 2in. to 8in., 25s per cwt. H. Lane, 114 Sussex-st.

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PASSENGERS TO ENGLAND,
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Religious Announcements.

LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

UNITED MISSIONARY GATHERING, to meet the Missionaries now in Sydney, and to bid farewell to those leaving in the John Williams, and to Captain Turpie, will be held at Bourke-street Congregational Church on THURSDAY EVENING, 17th March, at 7.45 o'clock. Chair will be taken by the Rev. James Hill, M.A., and short Addresses will be delivered by the Missionaries and by Captain Turpie. Special Musical Selections by the Bourke-street Choir. Collection in aid of funds of the London Missionary Society.

AUSTRALASIAN WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH.

NEW SOUTH WALES and QUEENSLAND CONFERENCE.—General Business, THIS DAY, Thursday, March 17: Morning Session—1. York-street Trust Affairs; 2. Order of the day. 2 p.m.: Adjourned Debate on Affiliated College.

WILLIAM H. GEORGE,
Secretary of the Conference.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

BUSINESS THIS DAY, Thursday, March 17, 1892.

10 a.m.: Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund Regulations; Theological Hall Report; Boys' College Report; Statistical Report; Appointment of Auditor for Ladies' College Accounts; Election of Treasurership Committee; Dr. Gilchrist's Motion; Votes of Thanks; Moderator's Closing Address.

JAMES S. LAING,
Clerk of Assembly.

Calls and Dividends on Shares.

THE VICTORIA CROSS SILVER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE.

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 17th day of March, 1892, all SHARES in the above company on which the 9th call of 6d (due the 18th day of December, 1891) remains unpaid will be absolutely forfeited and sold for the benefit of the company, in accordance with clause 29 of the Articles of Association.

Dated at 39 Queen-street, Melbourne, this 18th day of February, 1892.

By order of the Board.
THOMAS ROLLASON,
Secretary.

VICTORY GOLD-MINING COMPANY, Limited.

Mine—Charters Towers, Queensland.

A DIVIDEND (No. 20) of one shilling and sixpence per share has been declared, and will be payable on and after TUESDAY, the 22nd March, 1892, at the Company's office, Exchange, Sydney.

The Transfer Books will Close on SATURDAY, the 19th March, at noon, for the purpose of such dividend.

C. P. SMITH,
Secretary.

Exchange-buildings, Pitt-street, Sydney,
March 16, 1892.

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Total Invested Funds	7,891,808
Net Fire Premiums for the year 1890	1,364,889

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HENRY F. FRANCIS,
Local Manager.

Exchange, 56 Pitt-street.

Legal Notices.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

In the Matter of the Companies Act, 1882, and the amendments thereof;
and
In the Matter of the New Zealand Antimony Company, Limited.

It is hereby notified that, unless previously disposed of by private contract or withdrawn from sale by order of a Judge of this Honourable Court, all that the Antimony Mine situate at Endeavour Inlet, Queen Charlotte Sound, in the colony of New Zealand, together with all the fixed and movable plant and machinery thereon and used in connection therewith, the property of the New Zealand Antimony Company, Limited, will be sold by public auction at the City of Wellington, in the said colony of New Zealand, in or about the last week in the month of January, 1892, by Thomas George Macarthy and Edward Richardson, the Official Liquidators of the said New Zealand Antimony Company, Limited, in pursuance of an order of this Honourable Court made herein on the twenty-seventh day of October, 1891.

Further particulars can be obtained from the undersigned, or from the Official Liquidators.

Dated at the said City of Wellington this eighth day of December, 1891.

BUCKLEY, STAFFORD, and TREADWELL,
Solicitors for the
Official Liquidators of the New Zealand Antimony Company, Limited.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Matter of the Intestate Estate of JAMES SYMINGTON, late of Moulamein, Carpenter, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Rule of Court to administer the Estate of the abovenamed deceased was, on the 7th day of March, 1892, granted to the Curator of Intestate Estates.

THEO. POWELL,
Curator.

All persons indebted to the abovenamed deceased are requested to pay the amounts of their several accounts to me or to my agent, Mr. JOHN CURRY. Also, all persons having claims against the said Estate are requested to forward the same, verified by affidavit, to me or to Mr. John Curry, Curator's Agent, Moulamein, on or before the 19th day of April, 1892.

N.B.—Any claim not send in by the day named will be liable to be excluded from participation.

THEO. POWELL,
Curator of Intestate Estates.

Chancery-square, Sydney,
10th March, 1892.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Matter of the Intestate Estate of TAN HEIGH, late of Campo Santo, near Barraba, Selector, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Rule of Court to administer the estate of the abovenamed deceased was, on the 7th day of March, 1892, granted to the Curator of Intestate Estates.

THEO. POWELL,
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All persons indebted to the abovenamed deceased are requested to pay the amounts of their several accounts to me or to my Agent, Mr. W. MARSH. Also, all persons having claims against the said Estate are requested to forward the same, verified by affidavit, to me or to Mr. W. Marsh, Curator's Agent, Bingara, on or before the 19th day of April, 1892.

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THEO. POWELL,
Curator of Intestate Estates.

Chancery-square, Sydney,
10th March, 1892.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

IN EQUITY.

In the Matter of the Companies Act and in the Matter of the WHEAL VICTORIA TIN-MINING COMPANY, Limited.

The CREDITORS of the abovenamed Company are required, on or before the fifth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts and claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to EDWARD GRAY, of Number 3 Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, the Official Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Official Liquidator, are by their solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims at the office of the Master in Equity in Chancery-square, Sydney, at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

TUESDAY, the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, at half-past two of the clock in the afternoon, at the office of the Master in Equity, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the debts and claims.

Dated this sixteenth day of March, 1892.

H. F. BARTON,
Master in Equity.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

IN EQUITY.

In the Matter of the Companies Act, and in the Matter of the WHEAL AUSTRALIA TIN-MINING COMPANY, Limited.

The CREDITORS of the abovenamed Company are required, on or before the fifth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts and claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to EDWARD GRAY, of No. 3 Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, the Official Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Official Liquidator, are, by their solicitors, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at the office of the Master in Equity in Chancery-square, Sydney, at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Will of SARAH COOPER, late of Double Bay, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all creditors or other persons having claims against the estate of the abovenamed deceased are required to send in particulars thereof to the Executor of the will of the said deceased, care of the undersigned, on or before the first day of May next, after which date the said executor will proceed, in pursuance of the Trust Property Act of 1862, to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the said executor shall then have had notice. Dated this fourteenth day of March, A.D. 1892. L. C. RUSSELL JONES, Proctor for Executor, 130 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION. In the Will of EDMUND BINGHAM WOODHOUSE, late of Campbelltown, in the colony of New South Wales, Esquire, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given that all creditors or other persons having claims against the estate of the abovenamed deceased are required to send in particulars thereof to the Executor of the Will of the said deceased, care of the undersigned, on or before the first day of May next, after which date the said Executor will proceed, in pursuance of the Trust Property Act of 1862, to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the said Executor shall then have had notice. Dated this fourteenth day of May, A.D. 1892. L. C. RUSSELL JONES, Proctor for Executor, 130 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION. In the Estate of EDWARD ARTHUR JOHN BATE, late of Tilba Tilba, in the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased, intestate. NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors or other persons having Claims against the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are required to send in particulars thereof to the Administrator of the Will of the said deceased, care of the undersigned, on or before the first day of May next, after which date the said Administrator will proceed, in pursuance of the Trust Property Act of 1862, to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the said Administrator shall then have had notice. Dated this fourteenth day of March, A.D. 1892. LLEWELLYN CHARLES RUSSELL JONES, Proctor for Administrator, 130 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Will of SARAH GUNN, late of Essex Villa, in the town of Wentworth, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.

APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHARLOTTE ELIZABETH GORE (formerly Gunn), the wife of ALFRED DEWHURST GORE, of Wentworth, in the said colony, journalist, the sole executrix named in the said will.

Dated this 16th day of March, A.D. 1892.

BRADLEY and SON,
Proctors for the Executrix, 60 Margaret-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—IN EQUITY.—In the Matter of the Companies Act, and in the Matter of the FEDERAL REVERSIONARY INVESTMENT and FINANCIAL COMPANY, Limited.

By an order made by his Honor William Owen, the Primary Judge in Equity, in the above matter, dated the 7th day of March, 1892, on the petition of GEORGE STAINFORTH HENRY FIDDING, it was ordered that the Federal Reversionary Investment and Financial Company, Limited, be wound up by the Court under the provisions of the Companies Act, and that Mr. AUGUSTUS MORRIS, of Sydney, one of the Official Assignees of this Honourable Court, be appointed the Official Liquidator of the abovenamed Company, without security. And his Honor did further order that the appointment of Augustus Morris as such Official Liquidator as aforesaid be advertised in the same manner as the order for the winding up of the said Company, and that the order shall bear date as of the approval of the minutes of same. Dated this 14th day of March, A.D. 1892. ERNEST TREVOR JONES, Solicitor for Petitioner, 13 Bond-street, Sydney.

WATSON'S BAY.—Clearance Sale next Sat., on the Ground, at 3 p.m. Terms, Lithos. R. & W., Ltd.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Will of ALFRED KELLY, late of Wallabadah, in the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.

APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JANE KELLY, the sole Executrix named in the said will.

PERCY DIGBY COX,
Proctor for the Executrix,
Quirindi.

By his Agents—LAURENCE and RICE, 13 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

Public Notices.

FIRE BRIGADES' ACT, 1884.

ELECTION of a Member for the Fire Brigades Board by the Councils of Municipalities enumerated under Schedule A. The following are the names of Candidates nominated:—

JOHN SEAFORTH PROCTOR, nominated by the Mayors of Camperdown and Macdonaldtown;
CHARLES HELLMRICH, nominated by the Mayors of Petersham, North Botany, Waverley, and Paddington.

The polling will take place at the Town Hall, Sydney, on SATURDAY, the 19th instant, commencing at 10 a.m. and closing at 1 p.m. of the same day. The poll will be declared as soon as possible after close of poll.

SAMUEL T. WHIDDON,
Returning Officer.

Sydney, March 15, 1892.

NOTICE.—Election of Representative for Vol. Fire Brigades on the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board will take place at Headquarters Station, Castlereagh-street, between 12 a.m. and 4 p.m. FRIDAY, 18th instant. By order. EPHRAIM STONEMAN, Capt. Waverley F.B., Returning Officer. Candidates nominated—Capt. E. J. LOVE, Capt. L. M'GUINESS.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATES of
WM. M'KUME, Grocer, Forest Lodge
M. D. KILKEARY, Grocer, Margaret-street, Newtown
TURPIN and BRIAN, Grocers, George-street.

All CLAIMS against the above assigned Estates must be rendered to the undersigned not later than TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, in order to participate in the distribution of the assets.

A. H. COLLIER and CO.,
Public Accountants,
118 Pitt-street.

ASSIGNED ESTATE of N. S. W. SOAP CO., Leichhardt.—All CLAIMS against the above Estate must be rendered to the undersigned not later than SATURDAY next, the 19th instant, at 10 a.m., in order to participate in the distribution of the assets.
R. B. CROPLEY, Temperance Hall, Sydney.

COPY.

The following is a copy of two Resolutions unanimously passed at a large and representative meeting of Chinese Merchants and others connected with the DOON GOON FACTION, held on Monday evening, the 15th March, 1892, at Lower George-street. A copy of each has been forwarded to Mr. Quong Tart:—

> "That this meeting, while thanking Mr. Quong Tart for his efforts in connection with the late Faction Riots, at the same time express their dissatisfaction at the manner in which he, as head of the committee, presided at its deliberations, and this meeting is of opinion that his services will no longer be required in the future."

> "That the foregoing be communicated to Mr. Quong Tart, with a letter informing him that in the future the 2000 residents of the Doon Goon Faction would not seek his assistance or interference in any matter requiring arbitration."

WILLIAM LOO-CHING, Sen. }
YEE SANG LOONG, Merchant }
Representatives.

AN EXTRAORDINARY COINCIDENCE.

In the Bird o' Freedom of 9th January last there appeared a story headed "The Captain's Trust." The story mentioned a vessel named the Belle Isle, and it appears there is a ship trading from Newcastle called the Belle Isle, and the article therefore seemed to reflect very strongly on the character of the captain of such vessel, Captain Spruit, and his wife. The Editor of the Bird o' Freedom takes this opportunity of assuring Captain Spruit that the article was meant to be and really was simply a work of fiction, and in no sense directed against him or his wife, and the mention of the ship Belle Isle was purely a coincidence which the Editor very much regrets.

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INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND, ALBERT-ROAD, STRATHFIELD.

The handsome building of the above institution (recently erected at a cost of upwards of £9000) will be Officially OPENED by the Lady Mayoress of Sydney, assisted by the Mayor of Strathfield, on MONDAY, 21st inst., at 3 o'clock. A Band of Blind Performers will be in attendance. The public are cordially invited. The ceremony will be followed by a Tea and Entertainment to the blind of Sydney and suburbs. On behalf the committee, H. S. PRESCOTT.

COROWA HOSPITAL.

TO ARCHITECTS.

COMPETITIVE DESIGNS for BRICK COTTAGE HOSPITAL at Corowa, cost not to exceed £2000, will be received by the undersigned up to FRIDAY, 8th APRIL, at 2 p.m. The designer must keep in view the fact that the plan should be of such a nature as to admit of subsequent extension without prejudice to original.

Premium £10, to be awarded to design chosen by the Hospital Committee, only on satisfaction of said Committee that the building can be erected according to design at above cost.

JAMES C. LESLIE,
Hon. Sec.

ST. JOSEPH'S INVESTMENT AND BUILDING SOCIETY, 47 ELIZABETH-STREET NORTH.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

The OFFICES of the above will be CLOSED THIS DAY, Thursday, 17th March.

E. S. RUBIE,
Manager.

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H. S. JEANNERET,
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March 1, 1892.

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Municipal Council Notices.

BOROUGH OF NORTH SYDNEY.

ARREARS OF RATES.

NOTICE is hereby given that DISTRESS WARRANTS are now being issued indiscriminately for the RECOVERY of all OVERDUE RATES.

By order.
W. BARNETT SMITH,
Council Clerk.

Town Hall, Alfred-street, North Sydney,
March 14, 1892.

BOROUGH OF NORTH SYDNEY.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Plan and Sections, showing proposed permanent Levels of Brook-street (from Chandos-street to the boundary of the Borough), Massey-street, and Armstrong-street, between Jenkins-street and Massey-street, is now lying at this office, and will so remain for fourteen days from this date, for public inspection, in order that any objections thereto by persons interested may be transmitted in writing to the undersigned for the consideration of the Council.

By order.
W. BARNETT SMITH,
Council Clerk.

Town Hall, Alfred-street,
March 16th, 1892.

Meetings.

WOOL-CLASSING IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

A MEETING will be held at the
TOWN HALL, NORTH BOTANY,
THIS EVENING, Thursday, March 17, at 8,
with the object of forming a
BOARD OF EXAMINATION
in the interests of
Wool Buyers, Wool-growers, and Wool-classers generally.

All connected with every branch of the Wool Trade are specially invited to attend.

F. STOLTENHOFF (Fuhrmann and Co.) in the chair.

Messrs. J. H. GEDDES (J. H. Geddes and Co., the Pastoral Finance Association, Limited),
J. VICARS (Johnson and Vicars),
C. SWINBOURNE (Swinbourne and Stephens),
and other gentlemen prominently associated with the wool trade will address the meeting.

N.B.—Trams leave Bent-street at 7.6 p.m.

C. SWINBOURNE, Mayor of Botany,
Hon. Sec.

A MEETING will be held under the auspices of the INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS, N.S.W., at the Institute Rooms, 12 and 14 O'Connell-street, at 2.30 p.m., 24th MARCH.

To consider the action of the Government regarding the completion of the Sydney Hospital, Macquarie-street.

All architects practising in New South Wales are invited to attend.

By order.
R. CLARENCE BACKHOUSE,
Asst. Secretary.

DERRY L.O.L., No. 3.—Reg'lar Monthly Meeting, This (Thursday) Ev., Wesley Schoolroom, Regent-st.

THE HEBREW LITERARY and DEBATING SOCIETY.—Nominations for Executive, and Musical Entertainment, at 7.45 THIS EVENING, Synagogue-chambers, Castlereagh-st. Tickets. C. P. Hyman, hon. sec.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY.
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FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty-third Annual MEETING of the members of this Society will be held in the Hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, Pitt-street, Sydney, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of WEDNESDAY, 11th May, 1892, for the purpose of—

1. Receiving the Report of the Directors on the business of the Society for the year ended 31st December, 1891.
2. Electing two Directors in lieu of James Thomson, Esq., and A. W. Meeks, Esq., who retire in terms of bylaw 15, and of whom A. W. Meeks, Esq., only is eligible for re-election.
3. Electing an Auditor in lieu of James Robertson, Esq., who retires in terms of bylaw 26, and is not now eligible for re-election.
4. Declaring the amount of divisible surplus for the year ended 31st December, 1891.

The bylaws provide that no member shall at any annual meeting be eligible for election to the office of Director or Auditor unless notice in writing of his being a candidate shall have been given to the Board, or to the secretary, at least 40 clear days previous to such meeting.

By order of the Board.
RICHARD TEECE,
General Manager.

March 9, 1892.

MAY FLOWER SILVER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.

The Half-yearly General MEETING of Shareholders of this Company will be held at 12 o'clock noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th March instant, at No. 76 Pitt-street, Sydney, to receive the Directors' Report and transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

H. J. SPIER,
Manager.

BURWOOD EXTENDED COAL COMPANY, Limited.

Offices: 131 PITT-STREET.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General MEETING of the Burwood Extended Coal Company, Limited, will be held at the registered Office of the Company, 131 Pitt-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, the 1st APRIL NEXT, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the subjoined resolution, which was passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company, held on the 7th day of March, 1892, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution:—

RESOLUTION.

1. That the capital of the Company be increased to £150,000, by the creation of 30,000 new shares at £1 each, to be called preferent shares, and to confer on the holders thereof the right to a fixed cumulative preferential dividend at the rate of £7 per centum per annum on the amount for the time being paid up on such shares, which dividends shall be payable half-yearly. 2. That in the event of the Company being wound up, the holders of the said preferent shares shall be entitled to have the surplus assets of the Company applied in the first place in repaying them any preferential dividends unpaid, and in repaying to them the amount paid up on the preferent shares held by them respectively.

By order of the Board.
LEONARD DODDS,
Manager.

Sydney, March 10, 1892.

VICTORY GOLD-MINING COMPANY, Limited.

Mine: Charters Towers, Queensland.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-first Ordinary Half-yearly General MEETING of the Victory Gold-mining Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Office, Exchange, Sydney, on THURSDAY, the 31st day of March, 1892, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Business:
1. To receive the directors' report and balance-sheet.
2. To elect three directors and two auditors.
3. To transact any other business that may be brought forward in conformity with the articles of association of the Company.

By order of the Board.
C. P. SMITH,
Secretary.

Exchange-buildings, Pitt-street,
Sydney, 16th March, 1892.

SPORT FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY.—Attend Warwick Farm Races To-day. No postponement. Only coast rain; plenty in Sydney, but very little at Liverpool. Course in splendid order. Special trains, 12, 12.25, 12.40. Roll up ye sons of Ireland.

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THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern'n. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

Personal.

ALBION,—FRIDAY, 8 a.m.

A. N.,—Wrote 10 days ago to T. O. to address given.

A.—R. M. RILEY (late of the Detective Force), 51 and 53 Sydney Arcade. Inquiries of every description conducted with secrecy and despatch. Evidence procured in divorce and other cases. NEXT OF KIN AGENCY. Copies of Wills obtained. Estates collected in the United Kingdom and elsewhere by London Agents (a responsible firm of Solicitors). Advances made (pending collec.) to legatees and others beneficially entitled.

BRYANT, R. J.,—Please communicate with E. R. M. Newton, solicitor, 112 King-st., Syd. Import.

DR. VAN HEEKRAN, 165 Forbes-st., Darlinghurst, Ladies' and Children's Specialist.

GEORGE WEBSTER, formerly of Spalding, Lincolnshire, England, will hear of something to his advantage by communicating with Messrs. CALTHROP and BONNER, Solicitors, Spalding, England.

M. L.,—Meet me Thursday Night instead of Friday, same place and time. M.

MRS. REID,—Go out to Mrs. John M'Carty's, Allison-rd., Randwick, to-day. Lost your add. Home.

MRS. DR. LLOYD, ACCOUCHEUSE,

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E. C. V. BROUGHTON, 301 Pitt-st.

WANTED KNOWN, Address Mrs. Alice Dunne, late 69 Glebe-road. A. M. F., Herald, King-st.

WILL GENTLEMAN who witnessed and assisted gentleman assaulted by two men opposite Public school, Redfern, about 8.30 p.m., 15th instant, kindly call upon W. R. STEEL, 15 George-street, Waterloo.

Lost and Found.

LOST, Skye Terrier, bet. C. and R. Co.'s Wharf and Margaret-st. Hunter River Hotel, Napoleon-st.

LOST, Tabby Persian CAT. H. Lamb, Paul-st., Waverley.

LOST, in ladies' waiting room, Sydney station, Purse containing £6; reward. Royal Hotel, Granville.

LOST, between Y.M.C.A. Hall and Redfern station (by tram), Grey Scotch Pebble BROOCH, in plain gold setting. Reward at
C. S. Co-operative Store, Pitt-street.

LOST, Saturday night, Ship's Jolly BOAT, 16ft., painted black, red bottom, stone colour inside. Reward, SALMOND and DENNE, 53 Cowper Wharf, Woolloomooloo.

LOST, between Manly Pier and Parkwater, lady's small Agate WATCH, small Chain attached. Two Pounds reward on delivering same to
S. SULLIVAN, Manly.

NOTICE TO POUNDKEEPERS.—Two Pounds Reward.—LOST, from F. M'Carty's stables, 115 Derwent-street, Glebe, Bay GELDING, white snip, white on off hind foot, 15.3 hands high.

ONE Pound Reward.—LOST, PURSE, Park-st. wait.-room, 4 sovs., 5s. S. J. Pyne, Parra.-rd., P'sham.

PASSBOOK of Savings Bank of N.S.W. Lost between York-st. and D'hurst. Return to 182 Victoria-st.

TO POLICE, POUNDKEEPERS, and Others.—Stolen or Strayed on the 8th instant, 1 Brown HORSE, collar and breeching, marked; also 1 Bay HORSE, branded ID. £2 reward if strayed, £10 on conviction if stolen.
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Government Railways.

WARWICK FARM RACES.
MARCH 17, 1892.

SPECIAL TRAINS will leave Sydney for the Warwick Farm Racecourse on the above date as under:—

Second-class, 12.0 p.m.; first-class, 12.25, 12.40 p.m. The 6.30 a.m. and 8.57 a.m. and 1.50 p.m. ex Sydney will set down passengers at the Warwick Farm platform if required. The 12 and 12.40 p.m. specials will stop at Strathfield if required to pick up passengers from the North.

A Special Train for horses will leave Sydney at 10.45 a.m. Accommodation will be provided by this train for trainers and jockeys only. Horse-boxes must be ordered the day previous to the meeting.

The Special Trains will return from Warwick Farm Course immediately after last race.

Return Fares as under:—

First-class to Grand Stand, 14s; First-class to Grand Stand (ladies), 8s; Second-class to Leger, 8s; First-class to Course, 6s; Second-class, 5s.

Tickets can be obtained at the Central Booking Office, George-street; Tramway Office, Bent-street; and at Sydney station.

By order of the Commissioners.
H. M'LACHLAN,
Secretary.

Sydney, March 15, 1892.

Government Notices.

Department of Public Works,
Roads and Bridges Branch,
Sydney, March 14, 1892.

TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS are invited up to NOON of MONDAY, 21st MARCH, for the following Works:—
FORMING and BALLASTING APPROACHES to DUCK RIVER BRIDGE, Clyde. (Fresh Tenders.)
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WALTER A. SMITH,
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Department of Public Works,
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Sydney, 16th March, 1892.

TENDERS will be received up to 11 o'clock a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1892, for Manufacture, Supply, and Delivery of one or more sets of Hand Gearing for Punts.

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The hours of attendance will be:—
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LIFE.—Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 7.30 to 10 p.m.
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Applications to be addressed "Honorary Secretary Art Society of N.S.W., 70 Pitt-street," and must be endorsed "Application as Instructor of Classes."

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Return of
Mr. B. SASS,
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Miss ANNIE TAYLOR,
and
Mr. G. W. ANSON
(after six months' absence).

Note.—The Management beg to announce that this will be Mr. G. W. ANSON'S farewell season in Australia, prior to his departure for the old country.

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SPECIAL.

In response to numerous inquiries the Management regret to announce that, owing to the theatre being otherwise engaged, the present season can only be extended for SIX NIGHTS longer.

In this last week will be presented for the first time, Bellini's ever-favourite opera, SONNAMBULA, and the remaining nights will be devoted to the reproduction of only the most popular operas in the repertoire of the Company.

This will be ABSOLUTELY and POSITIVELY THE LAST APPEARANCE IN SYDNEY of THIS TALENTED COMPANY.

THIS EVENING, THURSDAY, March 17.
FOR THE LAST TIME.
Donizetti's Grand Tragic Opera, in Three Acts,
LUCREZIA BORGIA.

Lucrezia Borgia	Signorina Emilia Guidotti
Maffio Orsini	Signorina Giovanna Cavalieri
A Lady	Signorina Gulietta Tresani
Gennaro	Signor Guiseppe Vilalta
Duke Alfonso	Signor Baldo Travaglini
Rustighello	Mr. George Jackson
Gubetta	Mr. James Hammill
Vitelozzo	Mr. B. Kelly
Gazella	Mr. A. Farley
Petrucci	Mr. Henry Cross
Liveretto	Mr. H. Coster
Astolfo	Mr. G. Haswell
Bautista	Mr. Dennis Gunning.

FRIDAY, March 18.
First and only representation by the present Company.
Flotow's Celebrated Opera, in Five Acts,
MARTHA,
or Richmond Fair in the Days of Queen Anne,

Lady Harriett	Signora Tancioni Cuttica
Nancy	Signorina Enrichetta Castiglioni
Kitty Bell	Signorina Gulietta Tresani
Lizzie Well	Miss Grace Freeman
Molly Nell	Miss Cissie Healy
Lionel	Signor Ercole Cuttica
Plunket	Signor Gianini Sisco
Sir Tristan	Signor Coriolano Lorne
The Mayor of Richmond	Mr. James Hammill.

Cavaliers, Ladies, Peasants, Dancers, Clowns, &c., &c.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19.
By special request, and for the last time,
Verdi's world-renowned Opera,
LA TRAVIATA,
THE GREATEST SUCCESS OF THE SEASON.

Musical Director, Signor Napoleone Maffezzoli.

Box Plan now open.

PROGRAMME FOR NEXT WEEK IN FRIDAY'S PAPERS.

Prices—Dress Circle and Reserved Stalls, 5s; Stalls, 3s; Family Circle, 1s. Children in arms not admitted. Box Plan at Nicholson and Co.'s daily, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Day Tickets can be obtained at the Garrick Theatre Hotel, where early door tickets for stalls and family circle can be obtained. Early doors at 7.15, 1s extra. Doors open at 7.30. Performance commences at 8 p.m.

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TROTTING and RACE MEETING,
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16.
NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT.

The above meeting is POSTPONED until WEDNESDAY NEXT, the 23rd instant.
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COOK'S Excursion to the Hawkesbury River, Wednesday and Sat.; fare 5s 6d. Tickets, 4 Hunter-st.

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THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern's. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

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AUTUMN MEETING, 1892.

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, APRIL 16.

THE HURDLE RACE.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1 ft., with 200 sovs. added. Second horse, 50 sovs. from the prize. Weights on such day as the Committee may appoint. The winner of any Hurdle Race or Steeplechase after the declaration of the weights to carry 10lb. penalty. About two miles and a half.

THE AUTUMN STAKES.
A Sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each, 1 ft., with 300 sovs. added. For three years old and upwards. Second horse 100 sovs. from the prize. One mile and a half.

A.J.C. SIRES' PRODUCE STAKES.
Of 10 sovs. each, 3 ft. The forfeit to be paid by 4 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake. Seven furlongs. Entries closed.

THE MUTUAL SELLING PLATE.
Of 200 sovs. Weights—3 years, 8st. 7lb.; 4 years and upwards, 9st. 12lb. The winner to be sold for 150 sovs.; 5lb. allowed for every reduction of 25 sovs. on selling price down to 50 sovs. The surplus on selling price to be divided between the owner of the second horse and the Club. One mile. Entrance, 1 sov.

A.J.C. ST. LEGER.
A Sweepstakes of 20 sovs. each, 5 ft., with 300 sovs. added. The forfeit to be paid before 4 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake. One mile and three-quarters. Entries closed.

THE DONCASTER HANDICAP.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each, half forfeit, or 1 sov. only if declared by MONDAY, the 4th April, 1892, with 1000 sovs. added. For all horses. Second horse 200, and third horse 100 sovs. from the prize. Weights on such day as the committee may appoint. The winner of any handicap after the declaration of the weights to carry 10lb. penalty. The last forfeit to be paid to the A.J.C. Secretary before 4 o'clock p.m. on the Thursday preceding the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake. One mile. Entries closed.

SECOND DAY.
EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 18.

THE FLYING HANDICAP.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1 ft., with 200 sovs. added. Second horse 50 sovs. from the prize. Weights to be declared after the first day's racing. Six furlongs.

THE MAIDEN STAKES.
A Sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1 ft., with 200 sovs. added. For maiden horses. Weights:—2 years, 7st; 3 years, 8st 2lb; 4 years and upwards, 8st 7lb. Second horse 30 sovs. from the prize. One mile and a quarter.

CHAMPAGNE STAKES.
A Sweepstakes of 20 sovs. each, 5 forfeit, or 1 sov. only if declared by day of general entry for Autumn Meeting, 4th April, 1892, with 750 sovs. added. The forfeit to be paid before 4 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake. Six furlongs. Entries closed.

THE SYDNEY CUP.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 20 sovs. each, half forfeit, or 5 sovs. if declared by MONDAY, the 4th April, 1892, with 2000 sovs. added; second horse to receive 300 sovs., and the third 150 sovs. from the prize. Weights on such day as the committee may appoint. The winner of any handicap after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb. extra; of any such race of the value of 200 sovs., 7lb extra; of any such race of the value of 500 sovs., 10lb. extra. The winner of the V.R.C. or A.J.C. St. Leger of 1892 to carry weight for age, if handicapped below that weight. The last forfeit to be paid to the A.J.C. Secretary before 4 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake. Two miles. Entries closed.

THE SELLING PLATE.
Of 200 sovs. Weights: Three years, 8st; 4 years and upwards, 9st 5lb. The winner to be sold for 200 sovs.; 5lb. allowed for every reduction of 25 sovs. on selling price down to 50 sovs. The surplus on selling price to be divided between the owner of the second horse and the club. Six furlongs. Entrance, 1 sov.

THE FIRST NURSERY HANDICAP.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1 forfeit, with 200 sovs. added; second horse 50 sovs. from the prize; for two years old; weights after first day's racing. Five furlongs.

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY, APRIL 21.

THE TWO YEARS OLD PLATE.
Of 200 sovs. For two-year-olds; colts, 8st.; fillies 8st. 12lb. The winner to be sold for £150; 7lb. allowed for every reduction of £25 on selling price down to £25. The surplus on selling price to be divided between the owner of the second horse and the Club. Five furlongs. Entrance 1 sov.

THE ALL AGED STAKES.
A Sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each, 1ft., with 500 sovs. added. Second horse 100 sovs. from the prize. One mile.

THE WELTER HANDICAP.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1ft., with 200 sovs. added. For three-year-olds and upwards. Second horse 50 sovs. from the prize. Weights to be declared on the day preceding the race. Lowest weight 8st. One mile.

THE FIRST BIENNIAL STAKES.
Of 10 sovs. each, 5ft., or 1 only if declared by Day of General Entry for Autumn Meeting, 4th April, 1892, with 300 sovs. added. The last forfeit to be paid before 4 p.m. on the day preceding the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake. Six furlongs. Entries closed.

THE CUMBERLAND STAKES.
A Sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each, 1ft., with 500 sovs. added. For three-year-olds and upwards. Second horse 100 sovs from the prize. Two miles.

THE CITY HANDICAP.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1ft., with 500 sovs added. For three-year-olds and upwards. Second horse 100 sovs. from the prize. Weights to be declared on the day preceding the race. A winner of a handicap after the declaration of the weights to carry 10lb. extra. One mile and a half.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY, APRIL 23.

THE ROUS HANDICAP.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1 ft., with 200 sovs. added, for three years old; second horse 50 sovs. from the prize. Weights to be declared on the day preceding the race. One mile and 3 furlongs.

THE PLACE HANDICAP.
A Free Handicap Sweepstakes of 10s each for starters, with 500 sovs. added; for horses that have run first, second, or third in any race of the value of 100 sovs. or upwards, in which not less than six horses have started, after the Autumn Meeting of 1891; the second horse to receive 100 and the third 50 sovs. from the prize. Weights to be declared on the day preceding the race. One mile and a half.

Entries for this race will remain open until 4 p.m., on WEDNESDAY, 13th April, 1892; and horses placed under the above conditions during the first three days of the Autumn Meeting of 1892 will be eligible to start without being entered, and will be handicapped unless withdrawn.

THE STEEPLECHASE.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each, 1 ft., with 400 sovs. added; second horse 100 sovs. from the prize. Over such course and jumps as the Committee shall direct. Weights on such day as the Committee may appoint. The winner of any hurdle race or steeplechase after the declaration of weights to carry 10lb. penalty. About 3 miles.

THE SECOND NURSERY HANDICAP.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1 forfeit, with 200 sovs. added. Second horse 50 sovs. from the prize. For two-year-old. Weights to be declared on the day preceding the race. Six furlongs.

A.J.C. PLATE.
A Sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each, 1 forfeit, with 650 sovs. added. For three-year-old and upwards. Second horse 150 and third horse 100 sovs. from the prize. Three miles.

THE FINAL HANDICAP.
A Handicap Sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1 forfeit, with 200 sovs. added. Second horse 50 sovs. from the prize. Weights to be declared on the day preceding the race. A winner of a handicap after the declaration of the weights to carry 10lb extra. One mile and a quarter.

ONE SOVEREIGN MUST ACCOMPANY EACH NOMINATION, PLACE HANDICAP EXCEPTED.

NOTE.—The first forfeit for the Doncaster Handicap and Sydney Cup may be declared with the Secretary of the A.J.C. or V.R.C. before 4 p.m. on MONDAY, April 4.

The General Entries for the above Meeting are to be made with the Secretary of the A.J.C., Sydney, or V.R.C., Melbourne, on MONDAY, 4th April, 1892, before 4 o'clock p.m.

T. S. CLIBBORN,
Secretary.
14 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

WATSON'S BAY.—Clearance Sale next Sat., on the Ground, at 3 p.m. Terms, Lithos. R. & W., Ltd.

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(everybody's favourite comic),
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This Week's Programme.
PART I.—MINSTRELSY.

Overture—"Westward Ho!"	The Company
Song—"Watching at the Window"	Mr. H. Craig
Comic—"The Dandy Play Actor"	Mr. A. James
Song—"Always Do Your Duty"	Miss Ida Holbein
Comic—"Susannah Schnapps"	Mr. T. Delohery
Song—"The Silent March"	Mr. E. Lawler
Dramatic Song—"The Curse of Drink"	Mr. Harry Hastings
Song—"Come Buy My Flowers"	Miss Tessie Cleveland
Comic—"Way Down in Maine"	Mr. C. Fanning
Song—"The Canteenior"	Miss Beatrice James
Comic—"Zachariah"	Mr. T. Sadler.

Interval of 10 minutes.
PART II.—OLIO.

The CONNER BROTHERS (the only coloured acrobats in the world) in their unsurpassed Acrobatic Entertainment.

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Miss ST. CLAIR (the favourite serio-comic vocalist) in her songs, entitled "Sweethearts," &c., &c.

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Mr. T. C. CALLAGHAN (England's greatest Comic) in his Songs, entitled "Selling up the Happy Home."

To conclude with the Diabolical and Bloodthirsty Ethiopian Burlesque Drama, entitled
THE BRUISED HEART.

Mr. Archibald (the banker)	Jas. Craydon
Clotilde (his daughter)	Charles Fanning
Mons. Delamour (Clotilde's husband)	Alf. James
Victor Thornburg (Clotilde's lover)	Tom Sadler
Beatrice (Clotilde's cousin)	Chas. Lyndon
Blogett (the banker's servant)	Fnk. Maher
Doctor Knowall	Wallace King
Professor Foyles (The Seconds)	Wll. Downes
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Free List entirely suspended, Press excepted.

POPULAR PRICES (as usual).
Orchestra chairs, 3s; Stalls, 2s; Balcony, 6d.
Doors open at 7 p.m. Overture at 8 p.m.

A NIGHT WITH CHARLES DICKENS.

Under the Patronage of his Excellency
THE GOVERNOR,
THE EARL OF JERSEY, K.C.M.G.,
who has signified his intention of being present at the
SECOND LECTURE,
on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23.
WILLIAM GAUNSON, Manager.

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A. TENNYSON DICKENS
(son of the great English author)
will deliver his Lecture Entertainment as above,
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on FRIDAY, 18th, and WEDNESDAY, 23rd MARCH,
at 8 p.m.

Sir HENRY PARKES, G.C.M.G., M.P.,
will preside on the opening night.
Popular Prices: 3s, 2s, and 1s.
Reserved Seats Plan at Paling's, 356 George-street.
WILLIAM GAUNSON, Manager.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION.

A GRAND DEMONSTRATION
of the
UNITED IRISH SOCIETIES
will be held at the Sir Joseph Banks Grounds, Botany,
on ST. PATRICK'S DAY,
THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1892.
Proceeds in aid of the Evicted Tenants of Ireland.
A large Programme of Sports, including a
GRAND INTERNATIONAL TUG OF WAR.

A PROCESSION of the members will start from St. Benedict's Hall, at 9 a.m., headed by the Sydney Scottish Band (Highland Pipers) and Newtown Brass Band, and proceed along George-street to Bridge-street, thence to tram terminus.

A GRAND CONCERT
in connection with the above will be held AT NIGHT in the NEW MASONIC HALL, Castlereagh-street, when several well-known artists will appear.

Further particulars in future handbills and advertisements in daily papers.

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GRAND IRISH NATIONAL CONCERT,
St. PATRICK'S NIGHT, 1892,
NEW MASONIC HALL, CASTLEREAGH-STREET.
(Proceeds to be devoted to the Evicted Tenants' Fund.)
PROGRAMME.—Part I.

1. Overture, "Patriotic Irish Airs" Herr Hugo Alpen
2. Quartette, "Spring Song" (by Pinsuti), Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Leonard, Mr. Blanchard, and Mr. M'Mahon
3. Song, "The Irish Emigrant," Mr. R. Millen
4. Song, "The Meeting of the Waters," Miss Felix Murphy
5. Recitation, "Little Nell" (original), Alderman J. Rainford
6. Song, "Brothers, Join Hands," Mr. J. Donovan
7. Song, "Rich and Rare were the Gems she Wore," Mrs. J. Riley
8. Song, "We Saved it for the Lodger," Mr. C. Stewart
9. Song, "The Minstrel Boy," Mrs. Leonard
10. Song, "Spare the Old Mud Cabin," Mr. A. Blanchard
11. Song, "Erin My Country," Miss Wynn.

Part II.

1. Chorus, "The Melodies of Many Lands," Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Leonard, Mr. Blanchard, and Mr. M'Mahon
2. Song, "Kathleen Mavourneen," Mr. P. J. Riley
3. Song, "The Man of Many Names," Mr. C. Stewart
4. Song, "The Exile of Erin" (violin obligato), Miss Felix Murphy
5. Song, "The Country I'm Leaving Behind," Mr. R. Millen
6. Song, "The Harp That Once" (with violin obligato), Miss Wynn
7. Trio, "Erin, the Tear and the Smile in Thine Eye," Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Leonard, and Mr. M'Mahon
8. Song, "Those Girls at School," Mr. A. Blanchard
9. Song, "Cushla Machree," Mrs. Leonard.
10. "God Save Ireland," by the Performers.

Conductor, Herr HUGO ALPEN.
Admission 3s, 2s, 1s. Doors open at 7, Concert to commence at 8.
F. B. FREEHILL, Chairman.

DANCING (Select), St. Patrick's Night, March 17, in the Port Jackson Pavilion, Chowder Bay. Steamers leave Government Jetty 7.30, 8.30, 11.30, returning 10.45, 11.45, 1.15 a.m. Double Tickets, 3s; Single, 2s.

DANCING.—St. Patrick's Night, Lane's Weekly Assembly. Musical Institute, 208 Castlereagh-st.

DANCING.—THIS EVENING, Mrs. C. Read's Assembly Rooms, 71 William-st.

GRAND INTERNATIONAL TUG-OF-WAR,
to be held at the
LILLIE BRIDGE GROUNDS,
FOREST LODGE,
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16.

The SPEAKER took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Hoyle, said that information as to the total amount of money paid to date by the Railway Commissioners to the following contractors: Angus and Co., J. M'Sweeney, Proudfoot and Co., John Ahern would be supplied in the form of a return if moved for in the usual way.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. O'Sullivan, said the difference between the tender of Milne Brothers (a colonial firm) and the lowest tender (an importing firm) for certain railway fittings was 22½ per cent., and the Commissioners had consequently been obliged to accept the lowest tender.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Johnston, who asked a series of questions with regard to the pilot at Bellinger Heads, said no information about the pilot refusing to accept assistance from able oarsmen when leaving for the first time for the Venus, or about the pilot's crew returning to breakfast leaving the perishing men in the rigging of their sunken vessel, had been elicited during the inquiry which was held to investigate the circumstances under which the Venus was wrecked. One of the crew who had been asked to resign was not capable of duty, and a substitute acted for him at the time.

Mr. LYNE, in answer to Mr. Molesworth, gave detailed information about tenders for 15,000 cast-iron pipes received last week by the Water and Sewerage Board.

Mr. SLATTERY, for the Postmaster-General, in answer to Mr. Molesworth, gave some information about the temporary post and telegraph offices at Newtown.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Morgan, said that the Railway Commissioners had recently reduced the rate for the carriage of wire-netting (such as was used in the rabbit-infested districts) by one-third, the reduction taking effect from the 1st instant.

Mr. BARTON, for the Minister of Justice, in answer to Mr. Willis, said that the case of the prisoner Bertrand was now receiving the careful consideration of that Minister.

Mr. BARTON, for the Minister of Justice, in answer to Mr. Willis, said that Mr. A. Lyne, a magistrate residing at Nyngan, was appointed coroner for that place in July last. There did not appear to be any necessity for the appointment of a coroner at Warren also.

Mr. BARTON, for the Minister of Justice, in answer to Mr. Willis, said that no representations had been made to him as to the advisableness of establishing a court of quarter sessions at Brewarrina.

Mr. SLATTERY, in answer to Mr. Willis, said that five guineas had been spent by the late Postmaster-General on a large framed picture of the General Post Office. This was the only sum spent in that way, a bust of the late Postmaster-General, now in the Post Office, being the private property of that gentleman.

Mr. BARTON, for the Minister of Justice, in answer to Mr. Willis, said that he had not yet considered the question of the advisableness of amending the patent laws, but would be glad to receive suggestions in that direction.

Mr. LYNE, in answer to Mr. Willis, said that he had directed a report to be obtained relative to the authorised bridges in the Bourke electorate. It was the intention of the Government to lock the Darling River, and this work would be considered during the recess. He would be unable to bring the matter of the proposed railway line between Byrock and Brewarrina forward during the present session. A statement had been made that the people interested in this line were prepared to guarantee to the Government 4 per cent. interest upon the outlay.

Mr. LYNE, in answer to Mr. Willis, said he had called for an immediate report on the road between Cobar and Wilcannia, and would deal with it as soon as it was received; but in view of the prospect of railway extension to that place, he did not propose under any circumstances to make more than a bush driving road.

Mr. LYNE, in answer to Mr. Willis, said tenders had been received for the new courthouse at Bourke, but in common with a large number of others were being held over pending arrangements being made as to the future loan expenditure.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Willis, said the public account of the Government was not at this date overdrawn.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Willis, said he was informed that at present no railway contracts were current for gravel at Coolabah. He understood some of the men employed under a late contractor complained to the Commissioners as to difficulty in getting payment from the contractor. As far as possible contracts were only accepted from men of standing, and it would not be desirable for the Commissioners to make conditions as between the contractors and their men.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Willis, said it was impossible to altogether avoid overtime in the tramway service. The average overtime for the three months ending December 31, 1891, was less than two days per month per man.

Mr. SLATTERY, in answer to Mr. Willis, said that eight prospecting claims in the Bourke electorate had been promised assistance from the Prospecting Vote; the amount granted had been £1143; the amount actually paid for work performed up to date being £245 13s. A sum of £20 5s was still due to one party, and was now in course of payment. The delay was due to the fact that the person signing the voucher had no written authority from the person to whom the aid was granted.

Mr. SUTTOR, in answer to Mr. Alfred Allen, for Mr. Carruthers, said that some of the items upon which the Supplementary Estimate of £5000 for the women's college was prepared were put on by the officers of the Treasury, and some at the request of the Public Instruction Department. All papers in connection with this matter had been laid on the table of the House.

Mr. SEE, in answer to Mr. Alfred Allen for Mr. Carruthers, said that provision for payment to the officers of the labour bureau would be submitted for the approval of Parliament with the additional Estimates for 1892. Pending the passing of those Estimates the necessary payments were being made from the Treasurer's advance vote.

PAPERS.

Mr. SEE laid on the table a return of pensions, gratuities, &c., paid out of the consolidated revenue.

Mr. LYNE laid on the table a return respecting Trial Bay prison, &c.

Mr. COPELAND laid on the table a return of incorporated banks, &c., holding leases direct from the Crown.

It was ordered that the documents be printed.

RYDE TO HORNSBY RAILWAY CONTRACT.

Mr. M'COURT moved,—"That there be laid upon the table of this House a return showing: 1. How many cube yards of brickwork in cement Angus and Co. have done at the tender price of £1 per cube yard—contract, Ryde to Hornsby. 2. The number of cube yards of cement concrete done at the tender price. 3. How many feet of platform coping, 3ft. wide, has been done at the contract price of 2s per foot run. 4. How many of the 300 cesspits and grids complete have been supplied at the contract price of 6s each.

The motion was agreed to.

EXTENSION OF THE BONDI TRAMWAY.

Mr. ALLEN asked if any steps had been taken towards the extension of the tramline to Bondi beach.

Mr. LYNE said that no further steps had been taken. He had not time to consider the matter. He had told the hon. member and his colleagues that he intended, as far as he could judge, to extend the tramline, at a cost of about £4000 or £5000, to the beach.

THE CHARGES AGAINST MR. EDDY.

Mr. WANT asked if any steps had been taken as to the granting Mr. Eddy's request for a commission, and if possible whether the commission into the Baldwin engines could inquire into this matter?

Mr. BARTON said the Government intended to give serious consideration to the matter, and they intended to give perfect justice to all. The Government was impressed somewhat with a difficulty that might arise, owing to the practice which hon. members knew prevailed of the possibility of a number of judicial enquiries succeeding one another at great cost and expense to the country. They wished to avoid that if possible, but they had no desire to withhold from the Commissioner any justice to which he was entitled. The Government had not been able to hold a formal Cabinet since the illness of the Premier, but they intended to hold one as soon as the Parliamentary work of the week was concluded. They hoped to come to a conclusion satisfactory to all concerned. In reference to the last part of the hon. member's question, whether it had been determined to grant an inquiry, he did not think that it should be committed to a board of three. It was scarcely necessary to have an engineer expert on the board, or to have more than one commission.

LAND SURVEYED FOR OCCUPATION.

Mr. GORMLY said that there were many instances in which application had been made for conditional purchases, but the applicants were unable to enter on the land in consequence of the delay in surveying. He asked that the surveys might be hastened.

Mr. COPELAND said he fully admitted the seriousness of keeping people off the land by reason of it not being surveyed. That was one of the defects of the system. People could not occupy the land until after it had been surveyed; on the other hand, if they had so many surveyors to send at once to survey a piece of land as soon as it was paid for, the expenses of the survey would be three or four times as much as they were now. Cases were held over until there were a number of surveys to be made in one district. If hon. members brought any particular cases of hardship under his notice he would take immediate steps to have them removed. He was anxious that there should be no time lost in completing the surveys.

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS.

Mr. WILLIAMS said he noticed by the report of *Hansard* that in the division on the £50,000 reductions on the Military Estimates he was credited with having voted with the noes, and with being the teller for the noes. He voted with the ayes, and he believed Mr. Willis was the teller for the noes.

Mr. WILLIS said he was bound to say that he had acted as one of the tellers for the noes, and it was only just to say that there was a mistake made in *Hansard*. He had voted with the noes and Mr. Williams with the ayes.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION.

Mr. BRUNKER said that on Thursday evening last he had made a statement about the date of issue of a prospectus of a certain freezing company. It had been said that the prospectus had been issued six months ago, but he had since found that he was quite correct, as it had been issued on the 10th February last.

THE BALDWIN ENGINES.

Mr. MURPHY asked what skill in engineering work had any of the members of the Commission appointed to inquire into the Baldwin engines contract.

Mr. SEE said he was satisfied that Professor Warren was a high-class engineer, and a man who had held similar appointments. Mr. Alexander Brown was a high-class commercial man and a lawyer, if that was any recommendation. Mr. Rogers, he thought, needed no comment, he was known to be a capable man.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE.

Mr. BARTON, in answer to Mr. Allen, said he thought Mr. R. E. O'Connor, the Minister for Justice, acted within his rights as a member of the Cabinet in opposing the Mortgage Release Bill.

Mr. LANGWELL asked the Minister of Public Instruction whether he had any further correspondence connected with the Byrock school, also whether he would make enquiries about a letter written by Mr. M. O'Grady. The letter was not correct in any part of it.

Mr. SUTTOR said he would lay the papers on the table on the following day. He had received a telegram from a person named O'Grady, saying that the letter purporting to be signed by him was not signed by him.

CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL.—RESUMPTION OF DEBATE IN COMMITTEE.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to further consider the Trades Disputes Conciliation and Arbitration Bill.

Clause 12, "Establishment of council of arbitration."

Mr. BARTON said he had informed the committee on the previous evening that he would prepare some amendments, with a view of obviating some of the objections to clauses 4 and 12. Clause 4 had been postponed. In clause 12 he would propose the omission of the words "Trades and Labour Council" and the insertion of the words "nominating authority representing the workmen."

Mr. KELLY said he wished to know what the Attorney-General would consider a nominating body.

Mr. BARTON, with concurrence, explained the alterations he proposed to make in clause 4. He said that the intention was that the nominating authorities in clause 12 should be the same as those in clause 4, and it was proposed in clause 4 to strike out the words "Trades and Labour Council" and substitute the words "the organisation, or majority of the organisations, representing the interests of workmen, and registered according to the regulations under the Trades Unions and Friendly Societies Act, having offices within such district." It was also proposed to substitute a similar amendment in place of the words "Employers' Union."

The amendment in clause 12 was agreed to on the voices.

Mr. BARTON moved the omission of the words "Employers'" Union, and the insertion in their place of the words "nominated authority representing the employers, and in each case in accordance with the regulations to be made in pursuance of this Act."

The amendment was agreed to on the voices.

Mr. CARRUTHERS said that he would move an amendment with regard to the election of president of the council by omitting the following words stating that such person should be "an impartial person, not personally connected with or interested in any trade or industry, or likely by reason of his former occupation, business, vocation, or other influence to be biassed in favour of, or against, employers or workmen, and shall be appointed by the Governor," with a view to the insertion of other words, the general effect of which would be to leave the election of the president to the two members elected by the nominating authorities, or, failing an election by them, then by the Chief Justice. He would divide the amendments into two parts, the first being the insertion of the following words:—"Elected in the following manner, namely: The two members so appointed may within 21 days after their appointment submit to the Minister the name of some impartial person for the position of president."

Mr. DARNLEY said that he did not think the question whether the president should be elected for three or five years, or be elected by the parties in dispute, was met by this amendment.

Mr. REID said he thought he would be able to suggest a way out of the difficulty by an amendment he intended to make. He intended to move the insertion of a proviso at the end of the clauses which would meet this point. The effect of that amendment would be to make provision for the appointment of a special chairman or president in particular cases, where it might be thought desirable to make such appointment. They must have one fixed president, but by inserting this amendment they would afford an opportunity in any special case which might arise to enable the appointment of a specially qualified person.

Mr. J. D. FITZGERALD said that he thought they should have a chairman who would gain by experience in a little time such a knowledge of the working of trade disputes as would enable him to carry out his duties efficiently.

Mr. KELLY: I think the chairman should be selected from the elected members.

Mr. J. D. FITZGERALD said that he was of opinion that the best course they could take would be to have the chairman appointed by the State, and he would then always be at his post when it was necessary to appeal to him.

Mr. CANN said that unless they made provision for a fresh arbitration board with each dispute, how could the president be changed, as proposed in Mr. Reid's amendment? The amendment, he feared, would create difficulty concerning the post of president.

Mr. CARRUTHERS said his amendment simply dealt with the mode and method of electing the chairman, and that would apply no matter how long the president held office.

Mr. KELLY said that, considered separately, the amendment was a good one; but he thought that, taken with the clause limiting the term of office, the amendment would have the effect of making the president's appointment a permanent one for the period specified in the bill.

Mr. RAE said he approved of having a president who would only be called upon to act when the chairman specially chosen failed to settle the dispute.

Mr. DARNLEY said he failed to see what good purpose could be served by the appointment of a permanent president. It would be sufficient for the Governor-in-Council to appoint a president as occasion arose, because he was satisfied that in almost every instance the president chosen by the parties to the dispute would be able to see a satisfactory settlement effected. Apart from this, he did not think it sound policy to stick to any one man as president.

Mr. M'GOWEN said that with regard to the election of the two arbitrators, the committee had to a certain extent recognised the fact that the office should be a permanent one for a fixed period of time. The time had arrived when they must decide whether the board must be a permanent one or not. The amendment would throw the responsibility of appointing the president on the other two members of the board. He thought rather that the matter should be left in the hands of the Government. Chief Justice Lilley would have the confidence of the workers in Queensland, and Judge Higginbotham in Victoria, but the person appointed need not be a Judge. For instance, he thought that the gentleman who presided over the late commission, Dr. Garran, brought to bear a large amount of ability in regard to the commission, and he would have no fear of leaving affairs of the workers in the hands of a gentleman of that kind. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. REID said that whoever was appointed president must possess the confidence of the workers, or the whole thing would become a failure. The best man in the world might be appointed, but if he did not happen to possess the confidence of both the workers and the employers the appointment would really be the worst that could be made. That was the reason why the matter had to some extent to be left to chance. By the amendment the responsibility of appointing the president was fixed on the two parties in the industrial world. The more nearly they could keep that as the basis of representation the stronger the foundation would be. If it was right that the two bodies should select representatives to the court, it was right that those representatives should coincide in the selection of a president, who would be the crown of the whole structure. The responsibility was too great to be thrown upon the Government. The Government would not be competent to select a right man. Was it not proper that the two organisations, through their representatives, should have an opportunity of selecting the president? If he did not prove to be the right man the Government would not be responsible. The whole thing rested on the concurrence and confidence of the parties concerned.

Mr. WANT: Suppose they disagree?

Mr. REID: Suppose there is a difficulty of the kind, it must be decided by some other authority.

Mr. WANT: I want to see what the suggestion is.

Mr. REID: I would oppose the Chief Justice being brought in.

Mr. WANT: It would never do.

Mr. REID: A name had been mentioned in the debate by Mr. M'Gowen. He thought he represented the views and feelings of a large number of persons inside and outside of Parliament when he recognised the marvellous tact and ability brought to bear by the president of the strikes conference, the result of which really led to what they were doing now. (Hear, hear.) That was so far as one man was concerned; but they must not forget the spirit shown by all the gentlemen who were members of that board. They were gentlemen called together at a time of great antagonism, and they acted together in a manner which only showed how much good feeling there was in all classes of the community if they were only brought together with the view of discussing things in a reasonable manner. No doubt Dr. Garran was the gentleman who would have the first offer, because if any man had the confidence of both sides of the industrial world, that man was Dr. Garran. Well, suppose that was the view of the Government and of the two sets of gentlemen—or suppose they all agreed on any other name, would it not be better that the president should be named by both the representatives, and selected afterwards by the Government? Surely his position would then rest on a sounder foundation if all parties agreed that he was to be the party appointed.

Mr. CANN said he did not think that there was any necessity for the appointment of a permanent arbitration board. He thought that the arbitration board could be worked out of the conciliation board. The president should be a man free from the parties in dispute. But the most that they need do would be to provide for a permanent conciliation board. A settlement of nine-tenths of the cases would be effected without going to arbitration at all.

Mr. WANT said that he wished to join with Mr. Reid in congratulating the late Commissioners upon the manner in which they discharged their duties. It only showed when people went to work in the right way what little difference there really was between capital and labour, and if brought together in a generous conscientious spirit, all these differences would be avoided. The gentleman whom they appointed president should be thoroughly independent of one side or the other. The effect of a president being elected by one side or the other must rob him of his independence. Of course, there was one name with which they would all agree—the gentleman who occupied the chairmanship of the late commission—Dr. Garran. But they were not now legislating for one particular appointment. At present the Governor appointed the gentlemen who occupied official positions such as the Chief Justice and the Judges of the Supreme Court, and no case had occurred in the annals of the colony in which the people had said that the appointments were corrupt. He thought the bill would be best left as it was; it would prevent a lot of ill-feeling between the parties. No Chief Justice would think of appointing the President. A selection should be made on the advice and assistance of those competent to judge as to the best person.

Mr. CARRUTHERS said the hon. member could not be acquainted with the boards in other parts of the world or he would not have give utterance to what he had stated. In the boards established in other places the presidents had been elected by the representatives of capital and labour. The House had already agreed to the establishment of a permanent board of arbitration.

Mr. HOUGHTON said he thought they should terminate the debate by accepting the amendment before the Committee.

Mr. KELLY said he thought the board of arbitration should arise out of the conciliation board. He was opposed to the Chief Justice selecting the president.

Mr. COOK said he hoped the Attorney-General would see his way to accept the first part of the amendment; the second part might be altered to meet the views of the Government. An altogether fresh board would be better qualified to come to an acceptable decision than members who had already prejudged the case on the Conciliation Board. He did not think it would be a fair thing to expect the Chief Justice to nominate. That would be a power which could be very safely vested in the Government.

Mr. BARTON said that the course he proposed to take was entirely a concession, and he expected to be met by concessions in return. There was urgent necessity to close the session, and if there was to be a protracted debate on the bill it was calculated to be fatal to the measure. He therefore asked hon. members to meet him. He proposed to accept the first part of Mr. Carruthers's amendment, and to ask the support of the Committee in amending the rest of the clause, so that on the failure to appoint the president by the two arbitrators, then the appointment should be made by the Governor in Council.

Mr. CARRUTHERS said he was quite prepared to accept that.

Mr. REID said he cordially agreed with the Attorney-General in the course he had taken.

The first part of Mr. Carruthers's amendment was agreed to.

Mr. BARTON proposed the insertion after the word "president" (the last word of the last amendment), of the words, "in case of failure so to do, on the part of the said two members, then the Governor shall appoint the President."

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. BARTON proposed the omission of the following words:—"The procedure for the purpose of giving effect to this section shall be as follows:—Each recommending authority shall submit to the Minister a list containing at least four names; and on the request of the Minister shall submit a fresh or supplementary list containing at least four new names, until an appointment shall be made."

The amendment was agreed to.

Clause 12, as amended, was agreed to.

Clause 13, "Remuneration of members of council of arbitration."

Mr. BARTON proposed the ommission of the words "other than the president," so that the clause would apply to the president as well as the other members.

The amendment was agreed to, and the clause as amended was passed.

Clause 14, "Duration and tenure of office of members of council of arbitration, &c."

Mr. BARTON said that under the altered conditions of the question of the presidency it would be necessary to make fresh provision. He intended to propose a new clause instead of that, and he therefore asked the committee to negative the clause.

The clause was negatived on the voices.

Clause 15, "Vacancies, disabilities, &c."

The clause was agreed to as verbally amended.

Clause 16, "Members of council of conciliation may sit as assessors to the council of arbitration."

The clause was agreed to as read.

Clause 17, "References to arbitration, how made, &c."

Mr. REID said that under this clause two methods of referring a matter in dispute were provided. The first was, "On application in the prescribed manner to the clerk of awards by either party to a dispute or claim, which, having been referred to a council of conciliation, has not been settled or adjusted by such council." The second way was, "On application in like manner to the clerk of awards by both parties to a dispute or claim within the meaning of this Act, which has not been referred as aforesaid." What would be the position of affairs if one party to a matter which had been before the council of conciliation had power to bring it before the council of arbitration for settlement? It seemed to him that unless both parties agreed to go to the council of arbitration the result would be farcical, and especially so since there was no power to enforce the award.

Mr. BARTON said that the question put seemed to be this: Whether it was intended by the bill that where conciliation had failed there would be a right to one of the parties to claim an arbitration. That was the intention. If conciliation had failed that might be taken as evidence that something still remained to be settled which had not been settled by the council of conciliation, and which the parties could not agree about. If two parties had gone to the council of conciliation, whether as good friends or otherwise, he could conceive nothing fairer than that, if they could not come to terms, one of the parties might be able to say, "We have failed in conciliation, now let us go to arbitration."

Mr. REID said that under this clause the state of things would be that a person representing one side of a trade dispute would practically, if a settlement were not arrived at in the council of conciliation, be bound to go to the council of arbitration. Otherwise the other party might, in the absence of his opponents, go to the council of arbitration and get an award. The effect might be that the usefulness of the court of conciliation would be destroyed. It was in that council, he apprehended, that the greatest work would be done, but by this clause parties going to it would be committed to this extent, that once they entered the council of conciliation they would have to go to arbitration, or allow the other party to go in their absence. They would then have this result: A council of arbitration following upon a council of conciliation, one party only being present and giving evidence, and the council deciding on the representations of one side alone. (An Hon. MEMBER: "That is not arbitration at all.") He moved, as an amendment, that in the first alternative course stated, that the words "either party" be struck out, and the words "both parties" inserted in their place.

Dr. CULLEN said he thought the clause should be passed as it stood, with the proviso that the board should not enter upon the consideration of a case without both parties to the dispute being represented.

Mr. REID said he would, with concurrence, withdraw his amendment, and move instead that a proviso be attached to subsection 1,—"That arbitration shall not proceed unless both parties appear." (Cheers.)

Mr. BAVISTER said he thought such provision should be made as would allow the board to take evidence even though one of the parties to the dispute declined to appear.

Mr. COOK said that if resort to the court of arbitration was made purely optional, it would open up the way to all sorts of jobbery and corruption. When parties sought the assistance of the court of conciliation they ought to be required to go through with it.

Mr. LANGWELL said he approved of the amendment. It was necessary that the amendment be carried, because there could be no arbitration when only one of the parties to a dispute agrees to having the dispute arbitrated on.

Mr. BARTON said that the conciliation board would not be public, because in the majority of cases it would be necessary in the interests of the parties that publicity should not be given to the various endeavours that would be made to bring about a compromise. On the other hand, it was provided in the bill that when the parties went into arbitration the proceedings should be in open court. (Hear, hear.) Thus the evidence there given would come before the public. If the amendment were carried, a party could refuse to come to arbitration. But would it not be better even for his own part that the public should hear what he had to say for himself.

Mr. LANGWELL: Can there be any arbitration without two parties agreeing to it.

Mr. BARTON: Yes, there could. Every facility would be given for making a reasonable award, even if one of the parties did not attend. The proceedings in the conciliation court would be handed over to the arbitration court, and two assessors from the conciliation court would also be present in the arbitration court to give their evidence. If a decision went unduly against a party who did not appear he would only have himself to blame. Those who supported the amendment really said that the greater the wrong the more consideration should be shown a man; but that was not the way to deal with the matter. There was no analogy between a case like this and the case of a man who flew from justice; because they did not go on in a criminal case, because they had not got the man's body present to punish it.

Mr. REID: Yet you want to try this man in his absence.

Mr. BARTON: The only way the evidence would come before the public would be through the court of arbitration. An applicant for arbitration might, under the amendment, prepare his case and go to great expense and then when he got to the door of the court find that the other party was not there. Surely that would not be a desirable thing. A party should not have all his trouble for nothing, or get no redress. He hoped that the House would adhere to the terms of the bill.

Mr. REID said that if one party appeared and the other did not, the party appearing would come out of court with flying colours. There could not be a more complete confession of guilt than if a person ran away. The tide of public favour, however, would turn in favour of the absent party if anything unconstitutional were done.

Mr. WALL: How many men don't appear in the Land Court.

Mr. REID: That might be an admission of guilt on their side. They wanted to make the court of conciliation as attractive as possible, but they could not do this by saying "If you enter the conciliation court you will have to go on to the arbitration court, and if you do not go, there will be a verdict whether you do or not."

Mr. DONALD said he did not propose to make the going to arbitration compulsory, but could they not give both parties some inducement to go to arbitration after conciliation had failed? The inducement he would give them would be this:—Let subsection 1 remain as it was, so that either party might make an application to the clerk of awards so that his case might be brought into the court of arbitration, and if the other party refused to come in, the evidence taken in the court of conciliation should be considered in the court of arbitration, together with the evidence given by the party who applied for judgment by the court of arbitration. If one party failed to appear, then let judgment be awarded on the evidence which it was possible for the court of arbitration to get. Now, as the award was not to be compulsory, the inducement for both parties to attend would be this. After the court of arbitration had given its award, and the second party would not submit to that award, public opinion would step in. Some persons might consider that public opinion was a sufficient inducement to submit to that award. He maintained that every party of men who had any self-respect would be subject to the influence of public opinion.

Mr. DANAHEY said that they wanted the bill to be as easy and simple as possible, so as to induce people to come into conciliation. In that case they had no penalty—nothing whatever that would be binding. They wanted nothing whatever to be binding. They wanted everything to be open and as voluntary as possible, and not to stop anyone giving evidence, so that they might have full knowledge of the case to decide upon.

Mr. WALL said that if he understood the object of establishing a court of arbitration it was to give a decision to guide public opinion. He did not agree that the effect of either party not appearing would be sufficient to damage that party in the eyes of the public. He ventured to say that in nine cases out of 10 where the industrial classes endeavoured to bring about conciliation and failed, they would be quite content to let their cases come before the court of arbitration and abide by the decision. It would be a very great hardship to compel people to bring witnesses hundreds of miles to a court of arbitration when the evidence already adduced before the court of conciliation would be sufficient to enable the second court to come to a decision.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said he thought they had better leave the clause as it was. If the amendment were passed it would virtually cut the bill short at conciliation, and render arbitration almost inoperative, because if there was no finality—no definite decision by the court of arbitration—people would soon begin to lose faith in the system altogether. As both parties could come in, there would be no great hardship if the court decided in the absence of one of the parties. He would vote for the clause as it stood.

Mr. GARRARD said he would support the voluntary, and not the compulsory system. He thought that the courts of conciliation would be availed of more than the courts of arbitration. If they wrote over the door of the court of conciliation "All who enter in are bound to go on to arbitration," they would put a bar at once in the way of people coming to that friendly conference. Believing that it was in the courts of conciliation more than in the courts of arbitration where the great benefits of the bill would be found, he was opposed to any such stumbling-block as the insertion of that compulsory provision.

Mr. EDDEN said he thought that unless it was compulsory for the parties to go on once they commenced, the thing would be a farce. He would, therefore, support the clause as it stood.

Mr. COPELAND said that unless the clause was passed in the present form the whole system must break down. The court of conciliation would sit with closed doors, and if either party refused to proceed further the public would never get to the bottom of the case, and each party would give his own version. The amendment would simply be playing into the hands of capital, for all the capitalist would have to do would be to hold back from going to arbitration and daylight would never be let into the case at all.

Mr. BAVISTER said some provision should be made by which, when one of the parties declined to proceed, the court should have power to compel that party still to come in and give evidence, so that the public might be in possession of the facts.

Mr. JOHNSTON said he thought it was time that hon. members should get the bill finished.

Mr. CANN said he favoured the voluntary system. The bill would be a failure if the compulsory element were introduced into it. To allow public opinion to sway the interest of any party in these cases would be most injudicious. He was inclined to permit the publication of the facts of the cases after the award had been made.

Dr. HOLLIS said the public would form its own opinions, and all the council of arbitration could do would be to determine the facts. It appeared to him that unless they could make sure that the parties would go into court and have their cases adjudicated upon, it would be useless to compel the court to try such cases.

Mr. COOK said that he thought the opinion of the public would be that a man who shirked going into the council of arbitration had a bad case.

The amendment was negatived.

Clause 18, "Council of Arbitration to sit in the open court."

Dr. CULLEN moved an amendment to the effect that no party to any proceeding before either the council of conciliation or council of arbitration should be represented by counsel or attorney or other person other than one of their own number. (Hear, hear.) He thought it would defeat the object of the bill if any contentious proceedings took place before either of these bodies.

Mr. BARTON said he was quite at one with the hon. member in prohibiting either counsel or attorney from appearing before these courts, and would accept his amendment if he would modify it. It might press too hard upon some of the parties to proceedings in these courts to compel them to be represented by members of their own number. It might happen that a country organisation decided to submit its dispute to arbitration in Sydney, and a difficulty might then arise in finding some of their own number to proceed to the metropolis and appear before the council. He desired the bill to be so framed as to prevent professional assistance being called in, and he agreed with the general principal of this amendment, but thought it might be modified so as to relieve the parties to a proceeding from the necessity of employing one of their own number. It might be desirable for them to get others to represent them. He suggested that it should be amended in the direction that others might be allowed to represent them, not being paid agents, or agents paid otherwise than to the extent of their expenses.

Mr. GARRARD said it was quite possible that the amendment would operate to some extent against what might be termed the "workers'" side of a dispute.

Mr. BAVISTER said that if all the words after "counsel or attorney" were struck out he would support the amendment.

Mr. BARTON said he thought the committee would do well to guard the employment of those whose training would lead them to conduct their case according to the rules of advocacy. Their aim should be to bring parties closer and closer together. The amendment, as modified, read "provided that no party to any proceedings, either before the council of conciliation or the council of arbitration, shall be represented by counsel or attorney, or by any paid agent other than by one or more of the persons between whom the dispute or claim has arisen."

The motion was agreed to on the voices.

Clause 18, "Council of arbitration to sit in open court."

The clause as read was agreed to.

Clause 19, "Award, how to be made."

Mr. HOUGHTON thought that a decision should be given within a fortnight after the hearing of the case. He moved the omission of the words, "one month" with the view of inserting the words, "14 days."

Mr. BARTON: I accept that.

Mr. REID: There ought to be power to extend the time. One member of the board might be ill. The whole thing would fall to the ground if the decision were not given within the stated time.

Mr. GARRARD: Leave it as it is.

Mr. HOUGHTON withdrew the amendment.

The clause was verbally amended, and agreed to on voices.

Clause 20, "When award may be enforced by legal process."

Dr. CULLEN said he thought this clause ought to be excepted, as no court had yet compelled men to work for fixed hours or for a certain sum as wages.

Mr. BARTON: Unless the award is made a rule of court, you drive the parties to the court, where they want the decision to be a binding one.

Dr. CULLEN said he did not know one case which a rule of court could enforce.

Mr. REID said he did not see much harm in leaving the words in. They would not come to much, however.

The clause was agreed to on the voices.

Clause 21, "Enforcing attendance of witnesses."

Mr. DONALD said he would suggest that a witness should have more than 24 hours' notice given him to appear before the Court. He proposed seven days.

Mr. BARTON: In the country seven days might be too short; in the city 24 hours too long. He proposed the words "at the prescribed time."

Mr. GOULD said he thought it would be better to state no time. Insufficient notice would be a reasonable excuse for non-attendance.

Mr. BARTON agreed to omit the words relating to time.

Mr. RAE said he thought the clause was rather severe upon witnesses who refused to give evidence.

Mr. BARTON moved the amendment of the clause by the omission of the words "there to remain, without bail," and the words "nor less than seven days."

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. BARTON moved the amendment of subsection 2 (relating to powers of entry for purpose of viewing) by the omission of the words "between sunrise and sunset," and it was agreed to.

Clause 22, "Claims and disputes explained," was verbally amended.

Mr. CANN moved the amendment of subsection 6, so as to provide that a claim or dispute under the bill shall include any matter as to which there is a disagreement between any employer and his workmen respecting "ill ventilated or dangerous workings or places in mines."

The amendment was agreed to on the voices.

Mr. BARTON proposed to further amend the clause by adding a subsection making it lawful for the Governor, at the request of both parties to any dispute, to declare by notification in the *Gazette* that such dispute should come within the provisions of the Act.

Mr. GARRARD said the amendment was so long, and embraced so many things, that he would suggest that it be postponed.

Mr. BAVISTER said he wished to call attention to the necessity for providing for dealing with any established custom or usage. Such things had in the past been found a fruitful source of dispute.

Mr. WILLIAMS said the places the workers on stations were herded in were simply disgraceful, and in the event of a man objecting to such accommodation, he wanted to know whether the bill would help him to be better off in that respect.

Mr. BARTON said he had come to the conclusion not to go on with his amendment at that time, but to leave it over.

Mr. GARRARD said he thought it a very important matter to get the question of customs considered. Some of the most bitter disputes had arisen over infringements of customs.

Mr. BAVISTER said he hoped the Attorney-General would have some such provision inserted.

Mr. BARTON said he would withdraw the proviso he had intended to add, for after-consideration, and he would then propose an amendment to meet Mr. Bavister's wishes.

Permission being given, the amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. BARTON moved the addition of the following subsection to the clause, "Any established custom, or usage, of any industry, employment, or district."

The amendment was agreed to.

Clause 22 as amended was agreed to.

Clause 23, "Provisions as to parties and representatives."

Mr. BARTON said in explanation of the latter portion of this clause, namely, "And in every case referred to a council of conciliation or arbitration such council shall have power to require any party to the claim or dispute so referred to, being workmen, to name not more than three persons, who shall for all purposes of the reference and the decision or award thereon be responsible for such party, and be bound by any award to be made upon such reference," that the meaning of the words "three persons" was this—that with respect to those cases where an award was binding it was necessary to nominate some persons upon whom the order of the Court might be served and take effect. At the same time, he did not think the matter was one of very great importance. Where there was no provision that the award should be made compulsory this clause would not operate. He was prepared to confine the clauses to cases coming under clause 20, and to strike out the word "workmen."

Mr. REID said that he thought the council of arbitration ought not to be put in the position of imposing anything like penalties. That ought to be left to the ordinary courts. He thought it would be better to leave these councils out of such questions altogether. This was a very dangerous clause, and one with which workmen could not comply.

Mr. BARTON said that he thought it was now necessary to make a stand, and to attempt to get this bill through. He desired the bill to pass into law, but he must remind the committee that they had now been three nights discussing the measure, and he must ask the committee to stand by him and try to get through the remaining clauses. There was a new clause to come, and the important clause 4 to be considered. There had been no attempt on the part of the Government to burk discussion. The hon. member at the head of the Opposition seemed to make a point of interrupting him more than anyone else. He trusted the committee would pass the bill through that night.

Mr. CANN said he feared the clause was being amended in a way that would make workmen afraid to touch it.

Mr. G. D. CLARK said he trusted the Attorney-General would accept Mr. Houghton's amendment.

Mr. REID said he feared that the clause would prove the reverse of a boon to working men.

Mr. RAE said he thought the safest course would be to strike out the clause.

Mr. CANN said he would not recommend any union to touch the clause as it stood. He would rather see the bill dropped than have such a clause passed into law.

Mr. BARTON said he regretted that so much time had been taken up in the discussion of the clause. The only course now open to him was to move that the Chairman leave the chair and report progress.

Progress was reported and leave obtained to sit again next day.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BARTON moved,—"That the House do now adjourn." He said that on the following day the Land Boilers Inspection Bill would be proceeded with, and if that was expeditiously disposed of, as he hoped it would be, the Government would proceed with the Marriages Validation Act.

Mr. SHARP said he desired to draw attention to the fact that a man was brutally maltreated in Cleveland-street at 8 o'clock on the previous evening.

Mr. M'GOWEN said that a man who was going along Cleveland-street at 8.30 last evening was violently assaulted by some roughs. If the police force was inadequate to protect life, it should be increased. He had spoken to Inspector-General Fosbery about the matter, and that gentleman had said that the police force was insufficient, and urged that 100 members should be added to the police force.

Mr. JOHNSTON said that we had not enough police protection. In Balmain it took a policeman two hours to do his beat.

Mr. HASSALL said that on the evening of last Monday week he heard a larrikin in Castlereagh-street insult a young lady, and he punished him severely for his rudeness. Respectable people would be perfectly justified in taking any steps to repress that plague which was growing up in our midst. He trusted that mounted men would be detailed to patrol the city and repress larrikinism.

Mr. GRAHAME said there were some pushes which lived on a system of plunder. It was quite time something was done to prevent it.

Mr. BARTON said that the Minister of Public Instruction had been in conversation with the Inspector-General of Police regarding the matters complained of. Means would be taken for the prevention of those outrages. During the recess consideration will be bestowed upon the Industrial Schools Act, with a view to seeing whether something could not be done to check incipient larrikinism. Something must be done to check that evil. With regard to the increase in the police force, that did not come within his department, but he understood that the expenditure on 100 extra policemen would be from £13,000 to £15,000 all told. He would not commit the Government in any way, but whatever was necessary to be done ought to be done. (Hear, hear.) He would do all he could to see that inquiry was made into the matter of securing the greatest efficiency.

The motion for the adjournment was agreed to, and the House adjourned at 18 minutes to 1 o'clock till half-past 4 on Thursday afternoon.

NEW NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—THURSDAY, MARCH 17.

Mr. Hoyle to move,—That there be laid upon the table of the House a return showing the amount of money paid by the Railway Commissioners up to date to Angus and Co., J. M'Sweeney, Proudfoot and Co., and John Ahearn.

The committee of the Labour Commission, which on the 2nd February recommended the appointment of a sub-commission of women, is to be congratulated on its originality and good sense. A commission of women is something entirely new in our social history. Yet its advantages are so obvious that one might feel tempted to demur to the qualification original—were it not, on the other hand, that most original things only seem obvious and easy after accomplishment. Considering the part which women play in the industries of the country, the wonder would be if sooner or later women were not entrusted with their due share in the far-reaching investigations now conducted by the Labour Commission. We do not see that the committee could have made a happier choice than that which they have made. Miss Orme, Miss Collett, Miss Abraham, Miss Irwin, whose names are given in the brief report, have long since earned a high and honourable reputation for their services in the cause of social and political reform. They are very clever, and they are very accomplished. One of the four ladies is generally recognised as one of the best platform speakers in England. The four ladies, however, bring more solidly useful gifts than oratorical power to the important task upon which we trust they will speedily enter. Nobody nowadays disputes the fact that on school boards—to take a great example—the membership of women is absolutely indispensable. In our report it is stated that the 11,779 weavers in the Bradford district are nearly all women. Surely women commissioners are especially qualified to investigate the conditions under which that large array of toilers earn their daily bread. A similar remark applies to the investigation of child labour.—*Daily News*.

MEETINGS.

ABORIGINES' PROTECTION ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting in connection with the Aborigines' Protection Association was held last evening in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association. Owing, possibly, to the inclemency of the weather, the attendance was not large. Mr. J. M. Chanter, M.L.A., presided, and among those also present were:—The Rev. W. G. Lawes, G. Lane, and J. Bennett-Anderson, and Messrs. U. W. Carpenter, James Green, E. Dowling, C. Lovely, J. G. Treseder, C. E. Wigzell, A. J. Vogan, and G. E. Ardill (general secretary). Apologies were received from the Primate, the Dean of Sydney, the Rev. T. E. Clouston, M.A., Mr. F. B. Suttor (Minister of Public Instruction), and Messrs. J. Gormly and E. Lonsdale, Ms.L.A. The Dean of Sydney, in his letter, said he felt "much interest in the condition of the remnant of the original occupants of the land in which we dwell."

Mr. Ardill, at the request of the chairman, read portion of the annual report. In the report it was stated that the funds contributed by the general public had been altogether inadequate to support the mission; and had it not been for the liberal help received from the vote for aborigines as passed in Parliament, the work could not have been maintained. To the Government Board the council of the association expressed their sense of obligation for the consideration of the claims and the support rendered to the association in the prosecution of its work. At Cumeroogunga mission station, the Government reserve on the banks of the River Murray, the present valuation of the improvements (dwellings, fencing, cultivation, &c.), machinery, and implements was £2771. The cultivation of 105 acres of land and 3 acres for fruit orchard was continued last year, with the result of 400 bushels of wheat and also 5 tons of hay, valued at £100. Much improvement had been shown in and around the dwellings. Cottage gardens now surrounded almost every dwelling. At Warangesda, in November last, the manager, Mr. F. W. Clarke, died after a few weeks' painful illness. This made the fourth life sacrificed to missionary enterprise amongst the aborigines at that place. The total number on the station on the 31st December was 125. There were 75 acres under cultivation, from which a yield of 14 tons of hay, 200 bushels of wheat, and 22cwt. of potatoes had been secured, valued at about £90. The estimated value of improvements, &c., was £1868. The progress of the Brewarrina mission station had not been so marked as that at either of the other two stations. It was, of course, of much more recent origin, having only been established four and a-half years. Very little had been done on this station in the way of cultivation, the large area being devoted principally to sheep farming. There were at present 2700 sheep and lambs, the property of the association, and the wool clip of the past season was valued at about £300. The value of the property, stock, &c., on the station at the 31st December, 1891, was £1920. The total number of residents on the station on the 31st December was 41. Speaking of the general purposes of the association, the council deemed it desirable that stores be established on each station, from which clothing, extra rations, &c., could be purchased by those aborigines who either worked at contracts on the stations, or were engaged by the surrounding selectors, and at times earned considerable sums of money. This money they would be induced to spend in provisions and clothing for their families, if such stores were provided and well stocked. The establishment of such stores would have a twofold beneficial effect, firstly, in providing against the mischief and misery entailed upon the men themselves through indulgence in drink, and, secondly, in saving the association certain expenditure in providing for the wives and children neglected by such men. A large number of parcels of second-hand clothing had been received during the year. These gifts had proved very acceptable. It was stated, in conclusion, in regard to the large number of aborigines who are not brought under the scope and influence of the association's operations, that the condition of some of the camps visited was deplorable. Efforts to benefit the aborigines morally or spiritually while they were thus located would be of little avail. It was a matter of most pressing necessity that legislation be obtained forthwith to provide, in a comprehensive manner, for the control of the entire aboriginal population—such control should, of course, include the appointment of a board charged with the guardianship of all orphan or neglected children, and should further place, at any rate, all the full-blooded blacks, in some measure, under the supervision of such board.

While reading the report Mr. Ardill produced another document written by the manager of the aboriginal mission station at Brewarrina, in reply to charges made against its administration about the middle of February by Messrs. Willis and Crick in the Legislative Assembly. Mr. Ardill said that the council, at the present time, reserved judgment in the matter, but they had the utmost confidence in the manager. Referring to the large profits stated to be derived from the 5000 acres of land, the manager said that there are nearly 2000 acres of the prime of the reserve yet unenclosed, and in the exclusive use of the adjoining station. Moreover, quite half of the enclosed portion of the reserve is available to travelling stock, which keep it bare just when the mission stock need it most. As to the charge that the people are starved, the manager said that every adult resident receives a full ration, and children half and three-quarter rations, each once a week. Mutton, among other commodities, is doled out three and four times a week. The aged folk, in addition, get rice, oatmeal, milk, butter, and other little delicacies. The aborigines had often told him that they are much better on the mission than they were in town. As to the suggestion of Mr. Willis to let the land and send the people back to town, and there supply them with rations, the manager declared that that would be the most certain way of perpetuating in these people the very conditions of misery over which Mr. Willis professed to mourn. Concerning the condition of the girls' bedroom, it certainly was not well furnished, nor nearly so comfortable as was desired; but it was vastly superior to what the girls had had previously, and it was the best that could be given them till the new dormitory, for which the materials had been ordered, was erected. The house had a closely-thatched roof, and was walled with new galvanised iron securely fastened to squared timber, and not a miserable structure of slabs covered with very bad bark.

Mr. Carpenter read the balance-sheet, which showed a balance in hand on the 31st December, 1891, of £332 9s 11d. The fact of the balance being so large was attributed to the circumstance of substantial sales of produce just at the close of the year, the proceeds of which are usually not received till January, and, consequently, are generally included in the new year's accounts.

The Rev. W. G. LAWES moved,—"That the report as presented be adopted, and a deputation, consisting of the members of the council, together with such gentlemen as they may invite, wait upon the Colonial Secretary to urge the introduction of legislation on the lines suggested." For himself he regretted that there was so much apathy in the Christian Churches of this country in regard to the condition of the aborigines. He believed that it was the sincere desire of Australians that the aborigines should have fair play, and that, as the name of the association suggested, they should be protected.

The Rev. G. LANE seconded the motion. The present state of the aborigines in some parts of the colony was, he held, a disgrace to us as a people. The bright spots were the mission stations of which they had heard in the report, where the natives were supplied with food and their children educated, and where the blessed Gospel was introduced to them. He presumed that some of the neglect in regard to the aborigines was that there was not the romance about ministering to them as to others, but he was convinced that the Government should do more in its own special department in the care and comfort of these people. Their land had been taken from them, and, in common justice, as much as was possible should be done to minister to their temporal wants, to educate them, and to attend to their spiritual welfare.

The CHAIRMAN said that any body of men who had the welfare of the aborigines at heart would always have his support. He was sorry that any member of the Legislature should have gone out of his way to make charges against the management of one of the stations, and he trusted that a full and searching inquiry into the matter would be held. People often heard it said that the aborigines were not capable of being brought up to the same state of civilisation as Europeans, but he had had experience in the matter and had found that, if properly trained, the natives could acquit themselves altogether satisfactorily. In the past the Governments of this country had quite misconceived their duty to the aboriginal races. The Governments had thought that they had done their duty when they had moved the passing of the customary vote. The aborigines should have more comforts than were now supplied to them. It was a disgrace to the Government of the country to send out blankets of such trumpery material as those distributed consisted of. These blankets—for he had often handled them—were not fit for saddle-cloths, and there was neither comfort nor warmth about them. He would be glad if some members of the Government Board would visit some of the mission stations and see the condition of the natives there, and he would recommend the board who directly controlled the money voted by Parliament to get the vote increased, and send tutors to the stations to teach the lads trades.

The motion was then put and carried.

Mr. TRESEDER moved,—"That the following gentlemen be elected as the council for the year 1892:—The Bishop of Riverina, the Hon. W. H. Pigott, M.L.C., the Revs. W. Martin, J. Miller Ross, J. Hill, M.A., G. Lane, J. Bennett-Anderson, and Robert Dey, and Messrs. Jas. Green, U. W. Carpenter, J. G. Treseder, C. E. Wigzell, C. Lovely, E. Dowling, B. Short, W. Crane, and A. B. J. Chauvel."

Mr. VOGAN seconded the motion, and, in doing so, gave an account of the ruthlessly harsh manner in which he had seen aboriginals treated, both in regard to being flogged and being shot down.

The motion was carried.

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the committee of the Municipal Association of New South Wales was held in the Sydney Town Hall yesterday afternoon. Mr. J. F. Smith presided, and there were present Messrs. C. Hellmrich, T. J. Dickson, W. M. Burns, C. Jesson, W. Dolman, N. C. Neal, and J. Wheeler. The Adamstown Council wrote as to its power to alter the levels of streets where property-owners objected, asking whether the previous advice on the subject took into consideration the fact that protests had been lodged against the proposed alteration. To be informed that it did. The Katoomba Council asked whether the Railway Department could run water on to the streets without the consent of the council. It was decided to reply that the Railway Department had no right to run more water on to the streets than naturally flowed there. The Singleton Council wrote, asking that legal opinion be obtained as to whether the council could give permission for the erection of a verandah in front of a building which encroached beyond the building line. To be informed that the council could not do so. It was decided to recommend the Stockton Council to pay a nominal salary to a bank manager who had been appointed treasurer, to make him a responsible officer of the council. The Balranald Council asked whether an officer appointed under seal could be dismissed without any cause being assigned. To be informed that the council would be perfectly right in dismissing an officer with three months' notice, in the absence of a special agreement. The Bingera Council wrote stating that the inspector had summoned a man for allowing cattle to trespass on the footpaths. The man pleaded guilty, but the police magistrate dismissed the case, on the ground that legally there were no footpaths in the town. It was decided to advise the council to make a test case. It was also decided to inform the Cudal Council that if it cut down burrs and other weeds on portion of a main road passing through the municipality, it would not thereby take control of the road. It was decided to obtain counsel's opinion as to the advisability of testing the right of borough councils to rate the dwellings of railway employees erected within the railway fences. Requests were received from a number of suburban councils, asking the committee to take steps to secure compensation from the Water and Sewerage Board for repairs necessitated by the opening up of streets to lay mains. It was considered that the powers of the Act in reference to this matter were sufficient.

THE WAGES PROBLEM.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Indefatigable Mr. Abbott has given the case of 10,000 men producing £2000 per week, when one of them invents a machine by which the same 10,000 men without any additional effort produce £100,000 per week. Now this is looking at the subject from a delightfully optimistic point of view. It would be a very rosy condition of affairs if the workers obtained a due share in the increased production; but how about stern facts? Let us look at the matter from a realistic and practical point of view. Say 10,000 men are earning a comfortable living while producing £2000 per week. An inventor steps in with a machine (which discovered itself by accident, or is, perhaps, the gradually-ripened fruit of the labours of others, and which, at any rate, in due course would have revealed itself to someone or another), which enables the same amount to be produced in the same time by one-fifth the number of men. Eight hundred are accordingly discharged. Now it has often been very convenient for political economists to disguise flesh and blood under the convenient cognomen of labour, but these discharged 800 are mortal, and must eat and drink to live, which seems to be a very distressing inconvenience to economists of a certain class, who do not seem to see the necessity of their doing so, but simply consider labour as they might consider any mathematical equation. Driven at last to desperation by the necessity of living, these 800 unfortunates offer to work for the inventor at one-half the current rate of wages, and eventually for their mere subsistence, which doubtless the inventor and Mr. Abbott would consider to be the labourer's natural and proper wage. Consider the unenviable position of the worker, and say whether a little Christian charity would be out of place in our social economy. Under the most favourable conditions, when times are good and the employer and landowner are coining money, the workers' natural wage can only be increased by a strike or the threats of one, for employers as a rule are not noted for voluntarily raising wages, and causes which he can neither prevent nor foresee may at any time stop the machine at which he toils and throw him upon the world, unaccustomed to the swing of a pick or the use of a spade. The real root of the "approaching tribulation" all over the world lies in the land question. Where it is difficult to get employment in agriculture, and wages are low, in all departments of work it will be the same. The reason why in new countries wages are high and work is plentiful is that land is easy to get, and a man can work for himself, retaining his natural wage, the fruit of his labour. As land values increase wages fall, and no improvement or invention can release labour from its dependance upon the land, which is the explanation why such eagerness exists to hold it, as being the safest security, for its ownership gives the power as soon as the population increases to demand a share of the earnings of others, and thus enables a class to live without toil on the labour of others. It is not labour but the land which commands the labour which has any capitalised value in the markets of the world, and at the present moment labour can be got at less than it would cost to keep an American negro slave in good condition, and when it is worked out it is left to die or to crawl to the Benevolent Asylum. Land being indispensable to labour, those who once hold it are enabled to make their own terms with the workers, and competition—compulsory of course amongst the latter (known as freedom of contract) who must work or starve—will soon force wages down to the lowest scale which will barely support existence and reproduction. No improvement in the power of labour can under present conditions permanently and universally raise the rate of wages above this point, while as for those worn-out rags, emblazoned with economy and thrift, they are useless, for were both economy and thrift to become universal it would lessen and not increase the reward of labour, as centuries of economy and thrift have amply demonstrated in China. No possible increase in the power of labour, or reduction of its expenses, if universal, or even general, can possibly benefit the worker where the land is held under present system of tenure. It can but increase the proportion of produce abstracted by the landowner. This being the case, as it most indubitably is, the greater employment of machinery, the greater subdivision of labour become positive evils to the masses, making their lot harder and more hopeless as the material prosperity of the wealthy minority progresses, and so much the harder to bear as the palpable injustice becomes evident to their developing reasoning faculties; so if the slave is to continue to be a slave, it is madness in the Government to educate him.

To conclude, there is about the same difference between Mr. Abbott's pet natural wage and a Christian's ideas of justice and right as there is between the natural man and civilised Christian. Mr. Abbott's natural wage in reality resolves itself into just as much as the worker can get by force or fraud, or what he is compelled to accept through the natural process of starvation. There are, sad to say, no lack of teachers and economists who, if they do not actually teach this doctrine, yet carry out its precepts through life. Man, however, is so constituted that he can never attain true happiness without securing the happiness of others; so the profits of greed and selfishness will eventually meet their due reward, and it is certain that deliverers and true friends of humanity have always been those more moved by injustice and suffering to others than by their own miseries. I am, &c.,

FITZJOHN HALL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Mr. W. E. Abbott in his letter to you initiates a most important question for discussion. He assumes that if 10,000 men produce per week goods worth £20,000, and an inventor discovers a method by which with the same exertion the 10,000 men can produce £100,000, the difference, viz., £80,000, belongs to the inventor as the product of his mental effort. Usually the aim of an inventor is to produce more in a given time, and thereby reduce the price of the commodities, that more may be consumed by the people. Were the inventor to receive this sum (say, weekly) prices would remain unaltered, as the surplus would be claimed by one person, to be sold by him to merchants for £80,000. With this sum he would employ additional labour; and the money received as salaries, wages, and other charges would purchase the surplus wealth. Should it happen that there was no surplus labour in the market, the invention could not be utilised. Again, the workers might say, "If you do not give us a share of this additional wealth we will strike." The people would then reply by saying "You are depriving us of your labour, and this additional wealth to the value of £100,000 weekly, why should your wages be raised above ours? You have done nothing to deserve the advance. If you will not toil for us we will not toil for you." If the inventor received say £1000 per week, prices could be reduced, and the same wages and incomes would about purchase the additional wealth. This would not employ more labour, but each person would become richer. When wages advance the amount must either come out of profits, salaries, rent, and other charges, or prices must rise in proportion. A fall will, of course, produce the opposite effect. It is, perhaps, most difficult to estimate the value of an invention to the public, but it will be seen that it would be most unreasonable and selfish, seeing that all are dependent, for an inventor to claim the full value of his invention, and thereby keep up prices, or have it refused by the people.

I am, &c., JOHN PATTISON.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In the controversy on the above subject the fact seems to have escaped Mr. Abbott, that men themselves, as inventors, are the product of the world's development in science and art, as far as the development has proceeded up to their time; and, hence, that the world's inhabitants have a preferent claim over all inventions "in strict equity." Disputants, moreover, should not lose sight of the circumstance that inventions acquire large unearned increments of value through the existence of the world's population, more especially the civilised portion thereof. I think Mr. Abbott would have done well, for his view of the matter, to have left "strict equity" out of consideration. I am, &c., CHIAROSCURO.

In the list of salaries paid to Governors of British colonies, Canada and Victoria stand first with £10,000 a year each. Last in order are the Virgin Islands, £240; and St. Helena, Montserrat, and Turk's Island, £500 a year each. The descent from the highest to the lowest of these extremes is gradual. The Cape of Good Hope figures for £9000; New South Wales, £7000; Jamaica and British Guiana, £6000 each; and Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, Mauritius, Gibraltar, Malta, and Trinidad, £5000 a year each. The Governors of Sierra Leone and Lagos, which, on account of climate, are not in all eyes very tempting appointments, get £2500 a year each.

CADBURY'S COCOA.
The Editor of the Medical Annual, after a careful examination of CADBURY'S COCOA, pronounces it to be both a food and a beverage of the highest quality, and counsels the Medical Profession to remember, in recommending Cocoa, that the name of Cadbury on any packet is a guarantee of purity.—[ADVT.]

ADELAIDE MERCHANTS AND BROKEN HILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Under the above heading in this day's issue of the *Herald* you give a report of a deputation of Adelaide (New South Wales?) merchants which prayed certain considerations and concessions from the hon. the Treasurer as regards duty payable on goods sent by them from Adelaide and other S. A. ports to Broken Hill, urging in support of their prayer that, as the duties are now charged, they are at a disadvantage as compared with Sydney merchants.

Taking advantage of the occasion thus drawing public attention to merchants' relations with Broken Hill, I beg for a small portion of your valuable space in which to expose the other side of the question, in the interests of our own bona-fide N.S.W. merchants. The members of the deputation made no mention of the many directions in which the Adelaide merchant has heavy and unfair advantages over the Sydney merchant. Prominent amongst these are arrayed heavy protective railway charges, a few instances of which will probably prove of interest, comparing charges on goods made in S. A. with those on similar lines made in this colony as follows:—

RATES chargeable on goods—Adelaide to Cockburn.

	S.A. Produce.		N.S.W. Produce.	
	s. d.		s. d.	
Beer	48 10	per ton	135 0	per ton
Bacon and hams	23 11	,,	101 9	,,
Biscuits	101 9	,,	135 0	,,
Cheese	23 11	,,	68 6	,,
Cider	48 10	,,	135 0	,,
Cordials	48 10	,,	135 0	,,
Hops	48 10	,,	101 9	,,
Limejuice	48 10	,,	135 0	,,
Spirits	48 10	,,	135 0	,,
Timber	23 11	,,	68 6	,,
Vinegar	48 10	,,	68 6	,,
Wine	48 10	,,	135 0	,,

Shows that in addition to the imposition of a protective duty devised to keep our products out of their market, the South Australian Government goes a step further and imposes heavy extra rates of rail carriage to deter us from sending our goods (though employing their railways for that purpose) into our own colony.

Repeated applications to the South Australian Government have been made that our wines, &c., should be classed as colonial instead of imported goods when being carried into our own colony, but without effect; and until we are put on a reasonable footing in this respect it is to be hoped the Hon. the Treasurer will be deaf to Adelaide prayers.

What the deputation stated as to Broken Hill having to stand an unfair proportion of duty may be true enough, and I know from experience that the new tariff falls very heavily on the Broken Hill homes—I believe to the extent of quite 10s in £1 weekly in a family of four souls; but that should be held a further reason why the South Australian Government should act fairly in the matter of rail charges to their Broken Hill friends.

When we consider the facts that since January, 1887, goods to the value of not less than 5½ millions sterling in imports, to say nothing of exports, and 150,000 passengers, in less than four years, have passed over the S.A. railways into our colony, and most of those goods South Australian, one would think that our goods could be carried at rates similar to their own, or at least at rates less disproportionate than as shown above.

It is high time that our merchants took this question up, and returned the compliment to South Australia, by organising a deputation to that Government for the purpose of securing a fair share of trade with their own outlying districts.

I am, &c.,
March 15. CECIL TURNER.

THE MEDICAL PROFESSION AND AMALGAMATED CLUBS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—My remarks on the above subject have apparently been not without service, for they have evoked expressions of views by people who ought to know something of the subject. I wish, with your permission, briefly to review some of your correspondents' communications. "G.U.O.O.F." evidently has not read carefully what I did say, hence his calculation, based on the assumption that all clubs pay 16s to 20s per annum per member, has really no bearing on the matter. To "Pro Bono Publico" I say that I believe that I stated what is substantially the truth regarding the 40,000 prescriptions at 6d a visit or consultation. As to the question of mixing of these prescriptions being merely repeats—very probably—but they are visits or consultations none the less, for the doctor must or ought to sign the repetition of the medicine, and thus his time is used. I am, however, glad to note that this correspondent endorses my hint that the profession and the leading men in these societies should meet and discuss the rates of remuneration. If "F. B. C." will read my remarks again he will see that I made no imputation of intemperance or immorality against friendly societies, hence his disclaimer was uncalled for. All medical men will bear me out that "drink and lust" pre-eminently are the factors which lead to disease. The grand secretary of the Manchester Unity has written at length, but, boiled down, his remarks carry with them no open statement refuting what has been written on the subject of under-payment. Mr. Scholefield is the paid secretary of an institute which, I believe, is among the number, but not alone, of insufficiently paying its servants, the doctors. "Veritas," in an able but painful letter, has told us something of the work and trials of these unfortunates; and "Surgeon" has accentuated his statements. If these writers are speaking untruths, will Mr. Scholefield, in defence of the institute by which he lives, kindly tell us what the amount of pay to the doctor per member per annum really is which makes up the salary of £250 given to the medical officers. We are told the Oddfellows number 3500 good on the books, and four doctors get £250 a year to attend that number (probably not far from 10,000 souls). Of course, some of the 3500 may not be financial, and so may not contribute to the £250 a year, but how is the doctor to know whether they are or not? It may be, therefore, that the medical men may receive a little more than 6s a year—and how much more I ask Mr. Scholefield to tell us. Again, of the 40,000 odd prescriptions, say 3000 are written by outside medical men, but dispensed at the institute. This does not alter the value of the prescription to the institute doctor more than a fraction. "Veritas" has sufficiently told us how institute doctors regard the period of their service. One of my chief complaints was the taking advantage of the club system by men of good means in order to get medical advice too cheaply. This Mr. Scholefield does not deny. Granted that few men join who are well off, if the poor wax rich no one wants them to sever their connection with the lodge, but if they call in the lodge doctor they are, as I said, taking what in their case is simply charitable aid, and the doctor has the less time to attend to the honest bona fide working man. Moreover, it is notorious that the wealthy members of lodges exact more from the club doctor than do the poorer brethren. It seems to me, Sir, that Mr. Schofield seeks excuses for an under-payment to the servants on the part of institutes such as his by the odd hint that doctors find a future reward in the fees got from other patients introduced to them through the club clientèle. Even if this were so, which it rarely is, and only to a very limited extent, it seems the most curious way of getting work done for one. Again, he takes refuge in the law of supply and demand. It is an answer which the Trades and Labour Council or the office-bearers of unions would be slow to accept as a sufficient excuse for milder forms of sweating, that the abuses to which I and your correspondents have called attention. To the "Vice-president of the Balmain Friendly Societies" I would say, that if the sentences he has written have any meaning they go to show that the profession of medicine is overcrowded, hence the members of it are forced to "run wild" after "the bitter bread of underpaid work," and that their poverty is so great and their pay so small from the lodges they hold that they cannot afford to buy a carpet or a second chair for some "Noble Grand" to sit in. Exactly so—it is just what I have always believed. Now, Sir, before I leave the subject, for I do not intend to take any further space in your columns at present, I wish to state, that against the club composed of bona fide working men who pay their doctor £1 a year (though I take leave to think even that sum is too small) I have nothing much to say. As to the £1 1s midwifery, of course we all know no man can attend a confinement at that sum and not be out of pocket; but the doctor must trust and hope that the members of his society are not a prolific body. Now, it is in amalgamated lodges of the kind which Mr. Schofield represents that the abuses in small payment and hard conditions exist which I earnestly ask the committees and members in their own interests to look into. It would be easy to write bitterly, but I have desired temperately to point out to the public and the bodies concerned grievances which the medical profession consider to obtain. If it so be that these institutes are in the wrong, and pay microscopic wages, let their committees and those of the medical profession whom the matter concerns, meet in a friendly spirit and in a liberal way discuss the matters at issue and endeavour to remove the imputation which this correspondence will certainly leave upon some friendly societies. By so doing they will obtain more loyal and more thorough and continuing service from their doctors, and engender a better feeling of mutual respect between themselves and the medical profession.

I am, &c., R. SCOT-SKIRVING.
March 16.

Vassar, the women's college in America, possesses what is known as a pin-money fund. Some New Yorkers not long ago gave to it a sum to be used exclusively for pleasure. Every year there are girls whose brains have gained them free scholarships, but who have to depend on their darning baskets for money to cover their incidental expenses. The parties which are constantly made up for lectures, concerts, operas, readings, field sports, and country excursions would be out of their reach were they not able to draw on the pin-money fund for expenses, and nobody but the "Lady of Vassar" and the treasurer is any the wiser.

The authorities of St. Martin's-le-Grand have just completed an arrangement with the Treasury which may be expected to result in a material extension of telegraphic communication throughout the country. It has hitherto been a condition of the extension of the telegraph to country districts that a guarantee should be found for a sum amounting to about £40 annually. Under the new arrangements, says a Scotch correspondent, the amount of the guarantee will be materially reduced, and in many cases it is anticipated that it will be found possible to abolish it altogether. To the Scottish Fishery Board the change will mean a direct saving of about £1100 a year.—*Lightning*.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—MARCH 16.

Gwydir (s.), 518 tons, Captain W. Anderson, from Hunter River and Newcastle 15th instant. Newcastle and Hunter River S. S. Company, Limited, agents.

Newcastle (s.), 1261 tons, Captain Richard J. Skinner, from Newcastle 15th instant. Newcastle and Hunter River S. S. Company, Limited, agents.

Tarawera (s.), 2003 tons, Captain W. C. Sinclair, from Newcastle, en route to New Zealand ports, via Auckland. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Allowrie (s.), 515 tons, Captain Walker, from Southern ports 15th March. Passengers—Mrs. Page, Mrs. Clinch, Mrs. Harris, Miss Sydenham, Rev. F. Sheridan, Master O'Reilly, Messrs. Hilliar, Page, Harris, M'Ilvride, Temple, Lark, and eight in the steerage. Illawarra S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Canomie, yacht, for Hobart, put back.

DEPARTURES.—MARCH 16.

Ivanhoe, schooner, for Auckland via Newcastle.

Peerless, brigantine, for New Caledonia.

Wodonga (s.), for Brisbane and Northern ports.

Rockton (s.), for Noumea, New Hebrides, and Fiji.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—MARCH 17.

Tarawera (s.), for New Zealand ports, via Auckland; Wyoming (s.), for Woolgoolga and Richmond River; Wellington (s.), for Port Macquarie; Electra (s.), for Manning River; Namoi (s.), for Newcastle; Brinawarr (s.), for Berry; Senta, schooner, for German New Guinea.

CLEARANCES.—MARCH 16.

Senta, schooner, 76 tons, Captain Henri Bohmermann, for German New Guinea.

Rockton (s.), Captain C. E. Saunders, for Noumea, Suva, Levuka, and New Hebrides. Passengers—Mrs. Price, Miss M'Donald, Hon. H. Emberson, Messrs. R. Beart, T. Allan, Price, and 3 in second cabin.

Wodonga (s.), 2340 tons, Captain R. Armstrong, for Brisbane and Northern ports. Passengers—Mrs. Overall, Mrs. R. J. Wilson, Mrs. Woolcott, Mrs. Ogilvie and infant, Mrs. Karkee, Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Lindsey, Mrs. Sellheim, Mrs. Long and child, Mrs. M'Donald, Mrs. Sleep, Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. M'Killop, Mrs. Rintel, Mrs. Masterton, Miss Hellyar, Miss Wallace, Misses Buchanan (2), Miss Dowling, Miss A. Thompson, Miss M. Cunningham, Miss E. Thompson, Miss Johnston, Miss Long, Rev. C. King, Archdeacon King, Messrs. Mills, J. Wright, Overall, A. O'Brien, G. L'Estrange, Dutton, Lethbridge, T. Taylor, J. C. Smith, J. Sleep, Cam. Benjamin, R. T. Menlove, Grice Aked, J. M. Magill, W. H. Read, Armstrong, W. Buchanan, K. Buchanan, Hardman, W. Mowatt, E. Sweatman, E. T. Brown, W. W. Goodman, T. Jenkins, R. Daff, M'Killop, R. Richards, Rintel, Masterton, R. B. Stewart, Hosban, Master W. Benjamin, and 26 in the second cabin.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—MARCH 16.

Victoria, for Macleay River; Dewdrop, for Cape Hawke; Jane Moorhead, for Bermagui; White Cloud, for Bateman's Bay.

IMPORTS.—MARCH 16.

[A special charge is made for consignees' announcements in this column.]

Grace Darling, schooner, from Brisbane: 750 half-barrels gunpowder, 25 barrels sulphur, 25 kegs and 30 cases cream of tartar, 32 cases salad oil, 3 bales canvas shakings, 1 old hawser.

Liffey, brigantine, from Port Mackay (Q.), via Richmond River: 103 hides, 16 casks tallow, 11 casks shooks, 2 casks heads, 28 bundles hoops, 2 empty casks, and sundries. From Richmond River: 27,000ft. timber, 17 pine logs.

EXPORTS.—MARCH 16.

Senta, schooner, for German New Guinea: 100 crates flour, 50 crates biscuits, 50 cases preserved meats, 400 casks salt beef, 5 sacks ox tongues, 50 cases canned fruits, 1010ft. Oregon timber, 100 trade boxes, 50 coal baskets, 1 case cartridges.

Rockton (s.), for Noumea, New Hebrides, and Fiji: 4050 sacks flour, 1075 bags rice, 288 sacks sharps, 31 cases and 250 bags potatoes, 11 cases and 170 bags onions, 57 packages biscuits, 15 cases meats, 41 packages tea, 30 bags sugar, 15 cases stout, 56 cases spirits, 10 cases wine, 39 bars and 155 packages iron, 37 packages hardware, 179 iron plates, 3284 pieces timber, 10 coils rope, 23 tubes, 5 bundles horse collars, 30 boxes tinplates, 650 cases kerosene, 61 ingots tin, 12 girder plates, 17 packages nails, 120 bundles ore bags, 20 bundles gunnies, 100 iron pots, 100 kegs paint, 87 horses, and sundries.

Wodonga (s.), for Queensland ports: 100 bags rice, 21 packages tea, 733 cases fruit, 21 cases chlorate of potash, 12 bags peas, 20 cases hops, 245 bags oats, 170 cases condiments, 140 bags tapioca, 68 bags linseed, 45 bags turnips, 156 bags potatoes, 15 bags onions, 25 cases whisky, 300 cases castor oil, 160 drums oil, 198 bundles hoop iron, 81 cases sewing machines, 29 packages effects, 250 cases kerosene, 247 bundles gunnies, 4 kegs iron nuts, 383 galvanised pipes, 13 black pipes, 16 rolls wire netting, 17 packages iron, 25 packages nails, 5 crates crockery, 50 empty hogsheads, 13 packages drapery, and sundries.

CUSTOM HOUSE.—Entered Outward: March 16, Imperial, ship, 1288 tons, Captain James E. Crosby, for Manila, via Newcastle.

The Norwegian barque Agnes hauled out from Cowper Wharf to an anchorage in the stream yesterday.

The four-masted ship Liverpool was yesterday towed from Dalton's Wharf to the stream to finish loading coal for San Francisco.

The ship Dawpool will to-day be towed from the Pyrmont Wharf to Mort's Dock to be cleaned and painted.

The four-masted ship Drumalis, from London, was yesterday berthed at the North Coast Company's Wharf to discharge.

The ship Hereward, from Sharpness, was yesterday towed to a berth at Dalton's Wharf to land her salt cargo.

The German ship J. D. Bischoff, from New York, took up a discharging berth at Dalgety's Wharf yesterday.

Captain W. Anderson reports that the steamer Gwydir left Newcastle at 6.30 p.m. on the 15th March, and arrived at the company's Sydney wharf at 1.45 a.m. on the 16th, with the following cargo:—249 bales wool, 40 bales hay, 3 bales skins, 140 hides, 6 bags maize, 110 bags tin ore, 56 bales brooms, 8 cases bottles, 9 bales millet, 1 case fruit, 6 bundles wild ducks, 2 horses, 2 cows, 28 calves, 44 pigs, and 5 cases sundries.

Captain Richard J. Skinner reports that the steamer Newcastle left at 11.55 p.m. on the 15th instant, and arrived in Sydney at 6 a.m. on the 16th. Experienced fresh head winds and rainy weather, with considerable easterly swell throughout. Cargo: 6 bales skins, 14 wet hides, 600 boxes candles, 252 boxes soap, 100 castings, 75 cases wines, beers, and spirits, 2 machines, 63 cases biscuits, 2 cases sauce, 3 bales hay, 29 casks beer, 4 cases tobacco, 51 pigs, 29 cases soap, 2 bags ducks, 23 dozen brooms, 24 bags potatoes, quantity of empties, and 20 packages sundries.

Messrs. Dangar, Gedye, and Co., have been advised by cable from London that the ship Brilliant arrived there on the 15th instant after a passage of 93 days from Sydney.

Captain Walker reports that the steamer Allowrie left Eden at 8 a.m. on the 15th, called at usual ports, and arrived at the wharf at 5.30 p.m. on the 16th. Had strong S.E. winds, squally, with heavy rain. Cargo: 1608 cheese, 210 kegs butter, 550 bags bark, 162 bags quartz, 52 pigs, 6 calves, 10 bags bacon, 15 cases eggs, 16 bags maizena, 4 horses, and sundries.

The ketch Strathmore went ashore 10 miles from Eddystone, on the 13th instant. A report to hand says:—She was bound from Launceston to Hobart. From the latest information received it was learned that she was lying about 15 yards from low water on a soft sandy bottom embedded about 12in. in the sand. She was making no water, and, from the head keeper of Eddystone's report, there was no apparent danger done.

The steamer Macleay, in the Atlas Dock, will have some seven or eight plates renewed, as a result of her recent accident.

The Grace Darling is to berth at Parbury's Wharf to discharge.

The steamer Wyoming is on Mort's Slip for slight repairs.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Oriental arrived at Suez, and the Victoria at Colombo on Tuesday, the 15th instant.

The R.M.S. Oceana hence, sailed homeward from Adelaide yesterday.

THE ACCIDENT TO THE PROSPERITY.

It appears that the brigantine Prosperity, outward bound from Sydney on Tuesday night, had a very narrow escape of being wrecked. Captain Harwood, in charge of the vessel, says it was the second time that day he made a start to get out. The wind was changeable, but as it drew into the S.W. he thought he could get clear of the Heads and to an offing. In working the ship out, however, she missed stays, and the wind failing suddenly, he had to let go an anchor. The sea was high from the eastward, a heavy range, and there was a very strong set, which carried the vessel towards the North Head all the time. It was at the critical moment that the steamer Tamar, as stated by our South Head correspondent yesterday, answered to the signals made by the Prosperity. The Tamar was out clear of the Heads, but promptly put back, and, it appears, not a moment too soon, as the Prosperity touched the dreaded rocks aft as the Tamar commenced to tow. The line from the Prosperity to the Tamar was carried from the former in the dingy, and, as may be readily gathered, the crew of the sailer experienced no slight sense of joy when they reached the steamer and saw the hawser made fast. It was 10 o'clock at night when the incident occurred. The Prosperity will be docked for sighting, probably at the Jubilee Dock to-day.

THE MAORI KING.

The next steamship in the Tyser line due here is the Maori King, a vessel that has made a good name in the Anglo-Australasian trade. The Maori King was built and fitted out specially for the Australian and New Zealand trade—in the frozen meat interest particularly, and already she has demonstrated her usefulness. On the previous voyage the steamer proceeded hence to Brisbane, and thence across to New Zealand, where she called at various ports, taking in cargo. The insulated space was filled up with 50,000 carcases of frozen mutton, and the shipment was taken home in fine order. There was a glutted market at the time, and the steamer was utilised for storage purposes for a little while until the cargo could be moved off without sacrifice. The Maori King is an enormous carrier, and the quantity of outward freight on this trip is equal to 5600 tons.

THE LIVERPOOL SAILORS' HOME.

At the annual meeting of the Sailors' Home of Liverpool, held last month, some interesting facts were given of the value derived from the establishment of the nautical school attached to the Home. As regards the work of the nautical school (says the report), this had been carried on as in former years with due regard to the requirements of candidates for Board of Trade certificates, as well as to the teaching of navigation and cognate subjects in a thorough and scientific manner to students of all grades. He (the chairman) was glad to see the efforts being made to establish a nautical college, which he hoped would be on a scale worthy of Liverpool. He hoped that before long a suitable building would be taken and the scheme fairly launched, with everything necessary for such an undertaking.

DANGERS OF SOME COAL CARGOES.

One of the worst dangers attending navigation—and there are many—is that of fire at sea. And yet every year it is remarkable how many of those dreaded casualties occur. Ships, some on their maiden voyages, the finest specimens the best builders in the world can produce, put to sea, never to be heard of more. It is in this connection that rigid inquiry has been recently made into the loss of several coal-laden ships bound from the old country to foreign ports. The liability of some coal cargoes to spontaneously ignite is really the crux of the inquiry, as an extract given below pretty clearly shows. All coal, it should be pointed out, however, is not so liable, and amongst such there is perhaps none so free from danger in this respect as the coal of this colony. In no instance has a cargo of Newcastle coal, for example, ignited spontaneously at sea so far as is known. The inquiries referred to were held by the Board of Trade, the occasion being the loss of the fine ships Carr Rock and the Michael Hutchinson. The first-named vessel carried some 2500 tons of coal, and was bound from Dundee to San Francisco, while the Michael Hutchinson was burnt during a voyage from Liverpool to Iquique, with railway iron and 440 tons of coal. The circumstances attending the burning and loss of the Carr Rock are briefly these:—She left Dundee on the 25th June last, the thermometers used for ascertaining the temperature of the holds registering 75° Fahr. A month later the reading had risen to 98°, a temperature which had increased to 125° on the 23rd of August. Smoke was then issuing from the after hatchway. When dug out, the coals were found to be on fire, and though it was tried to put out the fire by cutting off the supply of air and by drowning it with water, the attempts failed. Numerous explosions occurred, and at last the Carr Rock was abandoned, after preparations were made for the inlet of water to sink the ship. Due care appears to have been taken to see that the coal was free from pyrites, and the handling and method of loading were those customary in the trade. The cargo was shipped during dry weather. Indeed it was shipped in unusually favourable weather, and, according to the finding of the inspector, "proper means did exist to secure surface ventilation." Yet, in spite of these precautions, explosions took place, which, like fires generally on coal ships, for want of a more particular cause, were ascribed to spontaneous combustion. How this spontaneous combustion is produced is the problem that calls for solution. In the case of the other ship, the Michael Hutchinson, there were three factors present which must have materially aided the process of spontaneous combustion. First, the coal was mixed; a safe coal doubtless including a small quantity from a more inflammable seam. Second, the coal was shipped in wet weather. Thirdly, the first coal tipped into the vessel must have been badly broken by reason of the long drop into the vessel's hold. The operation of one out of the three would have been sufficient, in the opinion of the Court, to account for the fire which broke out in the cargo and caused the loss of the vessel.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

BRISBANE.—March 15: The Rodondo (s.) arrived at Maryborough from Rockhampton. The Dicky (s.) arrived from Townsville. Arrived: March 16, Envy, ketch, from Straits Settlements. Sailed: Peregrine (s.), for Melbourne; Ranelagh (f.), for Rockhampton; Yaralla (s.) and Lady Musgrave (s.), for Bundaberg. The Arrawatta (s.) left Keppel Bay for Melbourne. The Aramac arrived at Townsville, from Melbourne. The Catterthun (s.) left Townsville for Southern ports. The Glanworth (s.) arrived at Townsville, from Burketown.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: March 16, Sumatra, barque, from Adelaide; Namoi (s.), Lubra (s.), Phoebe (s.), Tamar (s.), Garron, Ivanhoe, schooner, Marie, brig, from Sydney; Lindus (s.), Cloncurry (s.), from Melbourne. Departures: March 16, Euphrosyne, ship, for San Francisco, with 2842 tons coal; Edith May, schooner, for Wanganui; Alice (s.), Balmain (s.), Lubra (s.), Phoebe (s.), Tamar (s.), Namoi (s.), for Sydney; Sarah Beattie, schooner, for Cape Hawke.

YAMBA.—Arrival: March 16, Australian (s.), from Sydney. Departure: March 16, Kallatina (s.) for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: March 16, Cintra (s.) at 12.55 p.m., Barrabool (s.) at 4.15 p.m., Emu (s.) at 5.55 p.m., Colac (s.) at 6.35 p.m., west; Oonah (s.) at 2.35, south; Salier, G.M.S., at 2.25 p.m., north.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: March 16, R.M.S. Orizaba, from Sydney, via Hobart; Duckenfield (s.), Titus (s.), from Newcastle; Corinth, barque, from Launceston; Killarney, barque, from Kaipara; Examiner, barque, Yolande, schooner, from Grafton; Mararoa (s.), from New Zealand; Dubourdieu, French warship, from Sydney. Departures: March 16, Chingtu (s.), for Adelaide; Leura (s.), Rosaline (s.), for Sydney; Australasian (s.), for London; Pateena (s.), for Circular Head; Glenelg (s.), for Strahan; Easby (s.), for Newcastle.

ADELAIDE.—Arrival: March 16, Kobertsfors, barque, from Santos. Departures: Albany (s.), Derwent (s.), for Melbourne; R.M.S. Oceana, for London.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—Arrivals: March 16, Karuah (s.), at noon, from Sydney; Tweed (s.), Byron (s.), and Condong, schooner, bar bound.

BYRON BAY.—Departures: March 16, Karuah (s.) and Union (s.) left the bay during the night.

RICHMOND HEADS.—Arrival: March 16, Union (s.), at 7 a.m., from Brunswick River.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrival: March 16, Australian (s.), at 1.20 p.m., from Sydney. Departure: March 16, Kallatina (s.), at 5.15 p.m., for Sydney.

NAMBUCCA HEADS.—Departures: March 16, Wellington (s.), at 9.45 a.m., for Port Macquarie; Enterprise, schooner, at 10.30 a.m., for Sydney.

SMOKY CAPE.—Passed: March 16, Farilka (s.) at 3.30 p.m., Buninyong (s.) at 3.35 p.m., Coroki (s.) at 3.40 p.m., all north.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arrivals: March 16, Wellington (s.), from Nambucca River, off the bar at 5 p.m. Passed: March 16, City of Grafton (s.) at 5.20 p.m., Wyrallah (s.) at 6.20 p.m., both north.

CAMDEN HAVEN HEADS.—Arrival: March 16, May Flower, ketch, from Sydney. Bell Bird, ketch, weather-bound.

MANNING RIVER.—March 16, Tottie, schooner, bar-bound.

PORT STEPHENS.—March 16, Greyhound (s.), Dolly Walmsley, Ettie, Jess, and Rock Lily, ketches, at anchor in Nelson's Bay.

BARRANJOEY.—Arrival: March 16, Isabelle, schooner, put in at 10.40 a.m., wind-bound.

PORT KEMBLA.—Arrival: March 16, Aldinga (s.), at 6 a.m., from Sydney. Departure: March 15, Bocewing (s.), at 10 p.m., for Melbourne.

BELLAMBI.—Arrivals: March 16, Merksworth (s.) at 6 a.m., from Sydney; Egmont (s.) at 2 p.m., from Sydney. Departures: March 15, Emu (s.), at 6 p.m., for Adelaide; Currajong (s.) at 6.30 p.m., Hesketh (s.) at 10 p.m., both for Sydney. March 16: Merksworth (s.), at noon, for Sydney.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrival: March 16, Kameruka (s.), from Sydney. Departure: March 16, Kameruka (s.), for Kiama.

KIAMA.—Arrivals: March 16, Civility (s.) and Kameruka (s.), at 8.20 a.m., from Sydney. Departure: March 16, Kameruka (s.), for Shoalhaven.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Arrivals: March 16, Coomonderry (s.) at 6.30 a.m., Kameruka (s.) at noon, both from Sydney. Departure: March 16, Brinawarr (s.), at 3 p.m., for Sydney.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Arrival: March 16, Peterborough (s.), at noon, from Sydney.

EDEN.—Arrival: March 16, Oonah (s.), at 10 a.m., from Sydney. Departure: March 16, Oonah (s.), at noon, for Hobart.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: March 16, Cintra (s.) at 10.40 a.m., Barrabool (s.) at 2.25 p.m., Emu (s.) at 3.45 p.m., Colac (s.) at 4 p.m., Elingamite (s.) at 5.20 p.m., all south; Salier, German mail steamer, at 4.10 p.m., north.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: March 16, Cintra (s.), at 12.15 p.m., west; Oonah (s.), at 2.35 p.m., south.

SEMAPHORE, S.A.—Departure: March 16, Oceana, R.M.S., at 1.10 p.m., for London.

FREMANTLE, W.A.—Arrival: March 15, Ernestine, barque, from Adelaide.

LOW HEADS, TASMANIA.—Departure: March 16, Devonport, barque, at 7.40 a.m., for Sydney.

PORT DARWIN.—Departure: March 15, Airlie (s.), for Hongkong.

(PER FAVOUR OF THE UNDERWRITERS' ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA.)

LONDON, MARCH 15.

Arrived from Melbourne: Peter Stuart, ship, sailed the 5th December.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

MELBOURNE, 4.15 and 7 p.m.
ADELAIDE, 4 p.m.
HOBART AND LAUNCESTON, 4 p.m.
QUEENSLAND, 4.45 p.m.
WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Monday, via Adelaide.
TONGA AND SAMOA, 10 a.m.
AUCKLAND AND ALL NEW ZEALAND PORTS, 4 p.m.
TONGA, SAMOA, RARATONGA, AND TAHITI, 4 p.m.
BATAVIA AND SINGAPORE, 4.45 p.m.
NEW BRITAIN AND GERMAN NEW GUINEA, 4.45 p.m.
MANNING RIVER, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY.

ULLADULLA AND CLYDE, 8 a.m.
VALPARAISO, VIA NEWCASTLE, 8 a.m.

SATURDAY.

MERIMBULA AND EDEN, 11 a.m.
CLARENCE RIVER, 9 p.m.

MONDAY.

AUCKLAND AND ALL NEW ZEALAND PORTS, NAVIGATORS ISLANDS, HONOLULU, SAN FRANCISCO, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CANADA, UNITED KINGDOM, AND CONTINENT OF EUROPE, U.S.S. Alameda, 2 p.m.

INDIA AND CONTINENT OF EUROPE (overland to Adelaide, and thence per Orient Company's steamer Orizaba), 2.30 p.m.

UNITED KINGDOM (overland to Adelaide, and thence per Orient Company's steamer Orizaba), 3 p.m.

SOUTHERN PORTS OF NEW ZEALAND AND WELLINGTON, 5.30 p.m.

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ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

G. KISS.—At Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, &c.
G. MAIDEN.—At Homebush, at 10, Sheep.
W. INGLIS AND SON.—At Bazaar, at 10.30 and 12, Horses, &c.; at Railway Yards, at 10.30, Cows, &c.; at 1.30, Calves, Pigs; at 3.30, Cattle.
HARRISON, JONES, AND DEVLIN.—At Homebush, Cattle and Sheep.
HILL, CLARK, AND CO.—At Homebush, Cattle and Sheep; at Corporation Yards, at 10, Calves.
J. C. YOUNG AND CO.—At Homebush, Cattle and Sheep.
J. LEEDS AND CO.—At Homebush, Cattle and Sheep.
H. M'NAMARA.—At Hay-street, at 12, Beef, &c.
PITT, SON, AND BADGERY.—At Homebush, at 10, Cattle and Sheep.
WILKINSON, LAVENDER, AND CHAPMAN.—At Homebush, Sheep.
W. CRANE.—At 54 Elizabeth-street, at 2, Law Books, Office Furniture, &c.
HARRIS AND ACKMAN.—At their Mart, at 11, Boots, Shoes, Drapery, Clothing, China, Crockery, Fancy Goods, &c.
FRASER AND CO.—At the City Mart, at 11, Steam Launch Oriel; on the premises, Cowper Wharf, Woolloomooloo Bay, at 3, Stock-in-Trade of Timber, Building Materials, Iron Doors, Machinery, &c.
STRONGMAN AND CO.—At the Manse, Wyalong-street, Burwood, at 11, Furniture, Organ, Mangle, Gas Stove, &c.
GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, AND CO.—At Chamber of Commerce, at 2 and 2.30, Wool.
C. F. W. LLOYD.—On the premises, Harris-street, Ultimo, at 2.30, Horses, Van, Springcart, Harness, Coal, &c.
DAVIS, MARKS, AND CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Musical Instruments and Toys.
ELLIS AND CO.—At their Yards, at 11, Cows, &c.; at 2.30, Calves, Pigs, &c.; at 3.30, Cattle and Sheep.
J. F. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Unredeemed Pledges.
A. MOORE AND CO.—At the Labour Bazaar, at 11, Furniture, Pianofortes, &c.
F. W. HUDSON.—At Meat Market, at 11, Beef, Mutton, &c.
NEALE AND BEGGS.—At the City Coal Company's Yard, at 3, Coal.
THE BAILIFF.—At Bourke-street, Redfern, at 11, Furniture, &c.

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1. THE GERRINGONG FARMS,
29th March, at 2.30 p.m.,
to be sold at Mr. Dymock's Auction Rooms, Kiama.

2. THE BOMADERRY TOWNSHIP,
30th March, at noon,
to be sold at the site of the Railway Terminus, Shoalhaven River.

3. THE NUMBA FARMS,
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THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1892.

IT is stated that the Czar of Russia desires that the peace of Europe shall remain undisturbed, and that he has ordered the Russian press to placate Germany in regard to the military preparations made by Russia on the German frontier.

THE Russian Embassy in Constantinople has shipped to Odessa the instigator of the murder of Dr. Vulkovitch, the Bulgarian diplomatic agent in Constantinople.

AN extensive robbery of dynamite has taken place at Chambery, in the department of Lavoie, France.

THERE is great activity in the dockyard at San Francisco in the preparation of vessels of the United States navy for sea.

DURING the month of February the imports into France under the new tariff showed a decrease of 1,000,000 francs, while the exports decreased 23,000,000 francs.

A BILL applying the minimum tariff to American tinned meat and fruit has been introduced into the French Chamber of Deputies.

GUNSBURG'S Bank, in St. Petersburg, has suspended payment. Its liabilities amount to 6,000,000 roubles.

IT has been ascertained that while in Lancashire Williams, the man accused of the Windsor murder, rented an empty house, in which he was visited by a woman who suddenly disappeared.

IT is now remembered that on one occasion his clothes were observed to bear blood-stains, and he himself cemented the floor.

IT has been further discovered that a second woman and two young children who were seen about the house rented by Williams at Rainhill, Lancashire, suddenly disappeared. The police are searching beneath the floors of the house.

WHEN the house was given up by Williams he despatched some heavy boxes from the place.

THE bodies of a woman and two children have been found under the kitchen floor of the house at Rainhill.

IN connection with the colliers' strike in England, a number of the Barnsley coalminers have resumed work, and on the 19th instant the Forest of Dean and Cumberland miners will do likewise.

IN the Legislative Assembly last night the debate in committee upon the Conciliation and Arbitration Bill was continued.

PRESIDENT CARNOT has agreed to the addition to the French penal code of a clause making the destruction of property by means of explosives a capital offence.

THE new German Ice Cream Freezer requires no turning; price 30s. Knight and Co., St. James's-chambers, King-street, Sydney.—[ADVT.]

A FRESH warrant has been issued against Matthias Larkin, late secretary of the South Melbourne Permanent Building and Investment Society, charging him with embezzling £400.

WARRANTS have been issued in Paris for the arrest of 200 anarchists.

THE Antwerp wool sales have opened to a very flat market. River Plate wools fell slightly over ¼d per lb.

MR. PATRICK O'BRIEN, M.P. for Monaghan, has introduced a bill into the House of Commons to remove the disabilities of Roman Catholics.

THE elections to the Japanese Chambers have resulted in a majority for the Government. Riots took place in connection with them, 20 persons being killed and 120 wounded.

IT is reported that the Bank of South Australia is to be absorbed in the Union Bank of Australia.

THE Right Rev. Mesac Thomas, D.D., Anglican Bishop of Goulburn, died at Bishopthorpe early yesterday morning.

THERE being no quorum in the Legislative Council yesterday the sitting was adjourned till to-day.

AFTER an absence of about eight months Professor Anderson Stuart yesterday returned to Sydney from Europe.

THOMAS SMITH RICHARDSON, manager of the Sydney Deposit Bank, was committed for trial at the Water Police Court yesterday, on a charge of having falsely sworn that a quarterly abstract of the affairs of the bank was true.

A WARRANT has been issued for the arrest of a miner named Edward Buxton, on a charge of misappropriating £5 14s, which had been subscribed by the Burwood miners for a distressed widow at Merewether.

THERE is some excitement at Condobolin through the discovery of gold two miles from the town.

THE Broken Hill view of the water supply question is that the Stephen's Creek Company will not accept the bill, that the Government will on no account undertake the work itself, and that terms should have been made by the recent deputation with the Stockdale Company.

YESTERDAY Mr. E. V. C. Mayne, of Rothbury Estate, in the Branxton district, was killed by a fall from his horse.

MISS L. M'DONALD, M.A., the Principal of the Women's College, within the University of Sydney, is expected to arrive to-day by the Melbourne express.

IN reply to the demand made by the Trades and Labour Council for the books, papers, and moneys connected with the Labour Electoral League, the central executive of the league has replied that its property is vested in its own trustees and officers.

THE intercolonial postal conference was commenced at Hobart yesterday. Mr. Bird was elected chairman, and business of an initiatory character was transacted.

DURING the period intervening between the date of the passing of the Constitution Act and the end of last year, this colony has paid out of the consolidated revenue £714,730 16s 8d for pensions and gratuities.

THIS year's annual inter-university boat race will be rowed at Adelaide on the 23rd April. The names of the men selected to represent the Sydney University appear elsewhere.

THE Colonial Treasurer stated in the Assembly last night that the account of the Government with the Associated Banks was not at present overdrawn.

A SCENE of great excitement occurred at Brisbane yesterday morning in connection with the distribution of relief by the labour bureau. This work was previously carried out by the Brisbane Relief Board, but yesterday, by the order of the Government, it was transferred to the bureau.

OWING to the large number of women who applied for the relief, the distribution of rations was blocked, and a distressing scene ensued. In future those desiring assistance will obtain it at the Immigration Bureau.

DURING the forthcoming recess the Government intends to consider the advisableness of locking the Darling River.

THE annual temperance demonstration in connection with the Wesleyan Conference was held in the Centenary Hall last night.

YESTERDAY morning the body of a man maned J. Horne was found floating in Berry's Bay.

THE Minister for Public Works has recommended that Mr. Cecil Darley, Engineer-in-Chief for Harbours and Rivers, should succeed Mr. Thomas Rowe as President of the Water and Sewerage Board.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN and Corbett have signed articles to fight at New Orleans on the 7th September for £9000.

PRESIDENT HARRISON has increased the duties on sugar and hides from Columbia, Hayti, and Venezuela, those countries having refused to reciprocate with the United States under the M'Kinley tariff.

THE Customs receipts yesterday amounted to £8618. Towards this the 10 per cent. ad valorem duty contributed £3016, and the 15 per cent. £368.

The ruling tone in the Legislative Assembly in regard to the dealings with the Councils of Conciliation and Arbitration Bill has become much modified since the introduction of the measure a few days ago. At that time a few members appeared to be animated by the feeling that the sole object was to get the bill through immediately, without much regard to its provisions or character, so that they might, at any rate, be able to say that they had helped to carry a conciliation bill. Under the influence of this feeling the leader of the Opposition was rudely interrupted, and virtually accused of wasting time, when he was, in the discussion on the second reading, engaged in speaking for a few minutes in the most friendly way with respect to the bill. Since, however, hon. members have come into closer relations with the provisions of the bill in proceedings in committee, a different and a better spirit has been shown. The disposition has been manifested to do the best that could be done with the bill, and at any rate to eliminate its most objectionable features. It has indeed been apparent that at times the misgiving has intruded itself that the measure was rendered to a large extent an amiable unreality by the permissive element, which nevertheless is the only condition upon which it could be passed at all. It appeared to be felt that one clause, which provided for an award being by consent of the parties made a rule of court, was merely an elaborate illusion designed to give to the measure an appearance of cogency and compulsion which in practice it cannot possess. It may be that the smile which, according to an ancient philosopher, was exchanged when two Roman augurs met will in time to come brighten the countenances of our legislators when they recount their contributions to the passing of a conciliation bill, from the operation of which most of the grave disputes which have disturbed the field of industry for several years would have been excluded. But at the same time it is satisfactory to be able to recognise that hon. members have laboured, if they could not give substantiality to the measure, to at any rate make it innocuous, and, above all, to curtail the cost it proposed to fasten upon the country.

It is probably want of time for proper consideration which led the Ministry in framing the bill to commit the salient mistake of making the system it proposed to establish one attended by so much needless expense. The contemplated appointment of a president of the court of arbitration for ten years at a salary of £2000 a year in itself gave a standard of costliness which could not fail to spread itself throughout the whole system. It may readily be admitted that if the constitution of such a court could avail to prevent even a single great strike, it might save to the community far more than its cost during the whole ten years. But such a result is beyond the power of anyone to predict. The whole matter is experimental, and when moving on unknown ground, towards an uncertain goal it is always well to move slowly. Moreover, as was justly remarked by Sir HENRY PARKES, there was no guarantee that paying a high salary would at all aid the object of preventing strikes. If the giving so high a salary might prove an extravagance, the permanent appointment for so long a period might prove a disastrous mistake, and defeat the object it was sought to secure. The committee dealt with these proposals so as to alter their character altogether. The position of the president of the council of arbitration is conformed much more closely to that of an ordinary umpire in a court of arbitrators. The two representative arbitrators are chosen as before by the labour and employer organisations, and these, when so chosen, elect a president, who is to be of the same status with themselves, and will like them have his remuneration fixed by the Government and voted by Parliament. This sweeping change will reduce the expense of the council, it will allow the correction of a mistake should one be unfortunately made in the appointment, and it will remove the bureaucratic character which on its original lines the system was in danger of assuming.

Perhaps some of the most interesting aspects of the discussions have been supplied by what we may describe as its *obiter dicta*. It has been made obvious that in labour circles some difference of opinion exists as to the desirability of confirming or enlarging the powers of the Trades and Labour Council, and of the advantages likely to be derived to the cause of labour by allowing to that body a dictatorship. It has been curious, too, to note the strenuous dislike to lawyers which has found such frequent expression from the labour benches. A good deal of the opposition to a highly paid and permanent president appeared to arise from the fear that he might be a lawyer. An addition was made to a clause to prevent either of the parties from being represented by "an attorney, barrister, or paid agent," the latter words being added to meet the apprehension that, though the legal profession were shut out of the court, the result might only be the creation of a new profession, such as is for example known to find parasitic existence in the purlieus of some Government departments. With this hostile sentiment so strong, it may perhaps be wondered at that the bill was not made to embody the provision contained in the Victorian Act, enacting that no award shall be taken into or enforced by a court of law. A Melbourne journal writing of the New South Wales measure, cites this provision of the Victorian Act as making the statute colourless and unobjectionable, and in this respect preferable to our own. So far from aiming at this qualified praise, our own measure has a clause which seeks to give a *quasi* legal force to an award in certain cases by making it a rule of court. This provision was objected to as being purely illusory, inasmuch as it was difficult to imagine a case in which the enforcing power of a court could have the slightest effect. The defence put forward that there might possibly be cases in which it would be competent to a court to use compulsion, and that cases of other kinds would not be brought under the clause, served only to illustrate the make-believe character of the work in which our legislators were solemnly, and with the most laudable intentions, engaged. It is impossible to fail to recognise the genuineness of the desire to "do something" that may tend, if only in the smallest degree, towards putting an end to strikes and labour disputes in general. The universality of that desire was strongly marked throughout the prolonged proceedings of the late Royal Commission on this subject. We have no doubt at all that it is widely felt in the ranks of Parliament, and that it has been the animating purpose in the dealings with this bill. But this recognition need not involve a stronger belief in the practical character of the measure than is perhaps felt by legislators themselves. We may cordially admit the good intentions embodied in the bill, and, at all events, congratulate ourselves that it has been made more harmless as a result of the amendments it has received at the hands of Parliament.

The Divorce Amendment and Extension Bill, the second reading of which was moved in the Legislative Assembly on the 8th September last, has passed the third reading in the Legislative Council, and now only awaits the assent of the Crown to become law. This bill, though not identical with the one introduced in 1886, is the same in its main objects, and differs from it in only a comparatively insignificant degree. The subject has been before the country and before Parliament for nearly six years, and no one can now complain of hasty legislation in this matter. Hardly a session has passed during the period named without more or less of discussion upon it. The first of the series of bills of which this one is presumably the last was introduced in the Legislative Council, was carried through that Chamber, passed the second reading in the Legislative Assembly, but was lost in committee through want of a quorum. The second bill was introduced in the Assembly in 1887, passed through both Houses, and was remitted to England, where the Secretary of State declined, for reasons assigned, to submit it to the QUEEN for assent, and it lapsed through effluxion of time. In 1888 a third bill was introduced in the Legislative Assembly, but its fate was determined by a prorogation before it had left that House. At a later period of the same year, but in another session, a fourth bill was introduced in the same House, and passed the second reading, but again a prorogation closed its career. In 1889 a fifth bill was introduced in the Assembly, passed through that House to the Council, but was lost there, like the two previous ones, by a prorogation. The bill which has just been carried through both Houses is the sixth of the series, and, looking back upon the perils that have surrounded it during this, in many respects, remarkable session, we can only marvel at its success. The intention of the new Ministry originally was to close the session before the end of last year. If that idea had been carried into effect, this bill would have been lost. Again, it was supposed that the session, although carried over into the new year, would terminate in a few weeks. Had that supposition been correct there would have been no Divorce Extension Bill. There has been no lack of effort in the case of this bill to block its progress by the same tactics which exposed the others to all the chances and changes of Parliamentary life, and so practically sealed their fate. These traditions were, in fact, followed up almost to the last moment, although the effort broke down in the end. The third reading was carried in the Council after midnight by a majority of 18 to 7—a fact which showed that if this bill could, like others, have been delayed and postponed, and defeated in the end by some accidental interruption of the course of business, there would have been once more a defeat of the majority by the minority, in subversion of one of the main principles of Parliamentary government. Not one of the earlier bills was defeated upon the second reading. The inference is that there has been a majority in Parliament in favour of the movement throughout. What the minority could not do by straightforward voting, it managed to do by indirect methods, which, as we have said before, exposed the measure to all the risks of accidental death.

It is not a matter of absolute certainty that the bill, although it has passed through both Houses, will receive the Royal assent; but this at least may be said, that if it should fail to do so, the failure would be traceable to something approaching very nearly to a breach of faith on the part of the Imperial authorities. The bill of 1887 was not disallowed. The advisers of the Crown placed it upon the shelf, and declined to give advice to the Crown upon it. In the despatch explaining their action they pointed out the inexpediency of introducing variations in the marriage law of the Empire. But seeing that the marriage laws of England and Scotland differ, and that further variations had been made by colonial Legislatures with the assent of the Crown, it was obvious that this objection could not be adhered to permanently. Exception was also taken to the provisions of the bill in relation to the question of domicile; and there was room for contending on Imperial grounds that the colonial law should not facilitate the resort of English people to the colonies for the purpose of obtaining divorce when they could not obtain it in their own country. It was further indicated as desirable that, before legislating upon this question, the people of the colony should have the opportunity of expressing an opinion upon it at a general election. This despatch is to be considered in connection with the fact that shortly afterwards the Parliament of Victoria, having passed a Divorce Extension Bill founded upon the measure passed by our Parliament, but complying with the suggestions of the Secretary of State in the matter of domicile, that measure was assented to, and is now the law of Victoria. In these circumstances it may be said with fairness that the Imperial authorities are practically pledged to abstain from opposing any measure passed by our Parliament which meets the objections and suggestions set forth in the despatch referred to. The bill just passed differs from the bill of 1887 in the matter of domicile, and is in substantial accord with the Victorian statute. General elections have been held since 1887, so that the people have had opportunities of expressing their opinion upon this question, and, so far as the matter of variation of laws is concerned, the Imperial authorities by assenting to the Victorian statute have placed themselves under obligation to support the bill of our Parliament, the effect of which would be to restore uniformity in legislation between these two great contiguous colonies. The Imperial authorities cannot play fast and loose with a matter of this kind.

It is not premature, therefore, to assume that the bill which passed through the Legislative Council the other night will in due course become the law of this colony; and upon that assumption we have henceforth to direct our observation to the development of its consequences. The controversy upon the subject, which has continued with intermissions for the last six years, has been marked by much of the heat which is generally excited by disputes upon questions of a semi-political and semi-ecclesiastical character. Some of the disputants will look forward to unmixed good as the product of this measure; others expect that it will be productive of unmitigated evil. The truth will lie between these two extremes. No law can be passed free from liability to abuse. The existing law of marriage is itself abused every day, and in hundreds of cases. In illustration of that it is sufficient to point to the report of the manager of the Benevolent Asylum, upon which we commented a few days ago. If the existing law were not open to abuse there would be no need for this well-meant and reasonable attempt to amend it. We refuse to recognise the prophetic vision of those who foretell nothing but a host of evils as the result of passing this amending law, and who at the same time practically overlook the evils by which they are surrounded, and the urgency of the demand for relief and remedy.

The Intercolonial Postal Conference, which yesterday commenced its sittings at Hobart, has a programme of business scarcely unworthy of a session of Parliament. With "federation in the air," and the actual union not an accomplished fact, these intercolonial conferences are every year assuming a larger importance; and this one being the first since the inclusion of the colonies in the Universal Postal Union is invested with more than usual interest. The first day's proceedings being merely preliminary, only two notices of business were submitted, one for securing uniformity, as well as reduction, in the tariff for intercolonial and local telegrams; and the other for controlling electric wires employed for conveying lighting and motive power. The objects in both cases are desirable; for cheap telegraphy between the colonies will lead to greater unification of interests in the group; and sixpenny telegrams within each colony will be accepted by the public as a welcome boon. The intention of controlling electric wires used in lighting and conveying motive power—being local in their spheres—exhibits just a little soupçon of a desire to meddle with local matters that is rather outside the range of a postal conference. But the object is so good, and the federal feeling is so general, that it will hardly be objected to. There is a satisfaction in seeing that a proposal to make uniform the method of dealing with correspondence relating to racing sweeps and gambling bets has come from the representative of New South Wales; for our colony has heretofore been rather the horrid example than the leader in this direction of reform. But the Postal Conference is to take higher flights than these, and will initiate, it is expected, a protest respecting the extortionate action of the Governments of Italy and France in making handsome revenue out of Australian mails. The competing schemes of trans-Pacific cable service will also be considered, and the alleged promise of French and German subsidies to a line by way of New Caledonia and Samoa will be weighed with the inducements that may be expected from Canada and England in support of a service touching only on British territory. But the multitude of minor reforms intended in the practical working of the postal and telegraphic systems will probably constitute the most valuable portion of the service rendered to the public by this particular Conference. This includes the regulation of such matters as the question of the free postage of newspapers, more particularly for intercolonial transit, the limitation of weight for samples and patterns, uniformity of responsibility in connection with registration of articles transmitted by post, express services, charges for redirection of letters and for return of dead letters, extension of money order system, both postal and telgraphic, multiple messages of press associations, the zone hour system of time notation; cable subsidies, and a host of other matters; and all with the intention of obtaining, if possible, from all the colonies uniform legislation on the postal and telegraphic services. A great many of these subjects have been made desirable, if not even necessary by the recent inclusion of the Colonies in the Universal Postal Union.

The abandonment of the ELDER exploring expedition was only to be expected after the ill-success that has marked its efforts throughout. To Sir THOMAS ELDER himself, who has for so many years been a generous patron of exploration, the disappointment must be great; at the same time it must be a relief to know that no loss of life resulted from the abortive attempts to get beyond civilisation. Of the rights or wrongs of the internal dissensions of the party we are not able to judge, as the evidence given has not been made public; but the cause of failure is not hard to determine. Those entrusted with the formation of the party and the outfit seemed unable to understand the nature of their task. To penetrate a country notoriously scantily watered, almost rainless for years, they despatched a large and cumbersome party who could scarcely expect to find sufficient water for their needs at any of the soakage springs or scanty rock-holes of that region. A light party of experienced bushmen would probably have fought their way through, but a regiment of camels and an army of surveyors courted defeat from the first. Again, with the red-tape notions that seem so dear to all committees, printed instructions were issued, a map, in which explored and unexplored country were confounded together, was produced, and the whole trip apparently cut and dried as though no unforeseen difficulties could possibly arise. It will be remembered that the Burke and Wills tragedy arose from the same cause. A costly equipment was frittered away, and many lives were sacrificed, through a series of avoidable mistakes. So far as Australia is concerned, the present expedition can hardly be said to have done much good. The report of its fruitless attempts to do what FORREST did with horses only will increase the belief that that portion of the continent is hopelessly irreclaimable. This is unfortunate coming at a time when the success attending the boring constantly going on makes thinking men hopeful of the future of the interior. That the vast area known as the central desert is destined to remain always unprofitable and lifeless, no one who knows Australia will believe. It has not fallen to the lot of the late party to examine it thoroughly, but it is more than probable that the constant incursions of private pioneer parties will gradually do the work the expedition has failed to do.

UPON the President taking his seat in the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon it was found that there was not a quorum of members present, and the House was adjourned until the following day.

THE question nuisance, which is always more or less prominent in the Assembly, was increased to an unusual extent yesterday through the action of Mr. Willis, one of the members for Bourke. This gentleman, who seems to have been saving up questions for a long time past, was responsible for no less than 24 out of the 37 on the business paper. His queries were addressed to almost every department of the Government service, and touched upon a variety of subjects ranging from the suppression of totalisators to the chalk bust of Mr. Dan. O'Connor now being exhibited at the General Post Office. The case of the Chief Railway Commissioner was brought up in an informal way by Mr. Want, who wished to know whether the Government had decided upon any inquiry into the charges made by Mr. Schey. Mr. Barton explained that there were difficulties in the way; members were in the habit of making frequent charges against public officials, and if an inquiry was to be granted in each case endless complications would result. Owing to the illness of the Premier the Cabinet had not yet been able to hold a formal meeting, but the matter would be fully considered at the end of the week. The Government, certainly, had no desire to withhold justice from Mr. Eddy, and a decision would be arrived at as soon as possible. The adjourned debate on the Trades Disputes Conciliation and Arbitration Bill was taken as the first business by the Government, and the committee resumed the consideration of clause 12, which had caused a stoppage on the previous evening. The clause provides for the election of the council of arbitration by the employees and the employers. In the bill, as it originally stood, the Trades and Labour Council and the Employers' Union had been made the nominating bodies respectively. Strong objection, especially from the labour end, was taken to these two bodies, and to get over the difficulty, Mr. Barton promised to draft a new clause.

THE result of Mr. Barton's daylight deliberations was soon made apparent. He proposed to do away with the terms Trades and Labour Council and Employers' Union altogether, and to substitute the nominating body representing the workmen or the employers, as the case might be. A similar alteration was to be made in the postponed clause 4, so as to ensure that the representatives of capital or labour, either on the council of conciliation or the council of arbitration, should be elected by a majority of the organisations interested. The Attorney-General's proposal was favourably received, and at once agreed to. With regard to the appointment of the president of the council of arbitration, Mr. Carruthers proposed that the president should be chosen by the two elected members of the council, or, failing this, by the Chief Justice of the colony. It took a long time to put this amendment into practical shape, and Mr. Reid complicated matters further by proposing an addendum to the clause, enabling the members of the council to appoint a temporary chairman to deal with any particular case, the permanent president only to act in cases where the parties in dispute had failed to fix their own arbitrator. This question of the appointment of the president proved a crucial one, and much explanation was required before anything like a decision could be arrived at. The council of arbitration was also dragged into the discussion, and some members even expressed doubt as to the advisableness of appointing a permanent board of arbitration. The board of conciliation, it was thought, could get through nearly all the work, and it would be only in extreme cases that arbitration would be necessary. A special board appointed by the parties to any dispute which required arbitration would, it was urged, meet all requirements.

ALL this theorising occupied some time, and it took over an hour's talk before a satisfactory decision was arrived at. Mr. Barton settled the matter by a compromise, the result being the insertion of an amendment giving the two members of the council of arbitration power to select the president of the council, or in the event of their failure to agree, the appointment to be made by the Government. Another amendment placed the president's salary under the control of Parliament, and the next clause, fixing the length of his term of office, was struck out altogether. When it came to the manner in which cases heard by the council of conciliation were to be referred to the council of arbitration, Mr. Reid, acting as a friendly adviser to the Government, discovered another difficulty. He found out that as the clause stood, one party to a case could force on arbitration without the consent or presence of the other party. This kind of arbitration, he thought, would be simply ludicrous, and would have a ruinous effect on the prospects of the bill. The committee at first looked favourably upon Mr. Reid's proposal, and after the labour end had thrown a little light upon it, an amendment embodying the idea was proposed. In this way the debate, which was purely of a detail character, was kept up by the very few legislators who took the trouble to be present. It was serious, thoughtful work, and therefore the members who chiefly delight in airy fanciful eloquence found no opportunity for the exercise of their especial vocation. The technicalities of the bill could only be really understood by those with a legal turn of mind, and in shaping the measure, Mr. Barton on one side, and Mr. Reid on the other, had to do most of work. Mr. Copeland pointed out that arbitration could only be really effectual when each party to the dispute signed an agreement to abide by the decision of the council. Hence, if it was optional for either party to draw back after the case had been dealt with by the council of conciliation, the way would be opened for endless abuse, and much of the good to be expected from the bill would be negatived.

THESE arguments had their effect, and the labour members began to see that it would be to their advantage to have arbitration made compulsory on each party to the dispute. It was argued that the capitalist might refuse, after submitting his case to the Courts of Conciliation, to go on to arbitration. This, owing to his greater staying power, would give him the advantage over the poor worker, and public opinion, though it might be in favour of the right, would offer no substantial remedy. The result of all this was that, after a prolonged discussion, the amendment was negatived and the clause left in its original form. The next difficulty was to amend the measure so as to prevent lawyers and other paid agents from appearing before the council. The dread which many members have of the lawyer cropped up strongly, and an attempt was made to tack on a proviso framed in such a way as to prevent any but the actual parties to the case from appearing before the council. The task proved anything but a light one, for it is no easy work to exclude the lawyer. It was pointed out that any firm of employers, or any limited liability company, might have a lawyer amongst its shareholders, whilst the same proportion of legal talent could hardly be found in the ranks of the workers. The amendment was not considered important enough for a division, and as many members were anxious to get the bill through at all costs, it was agreed to on the voices. The succeeding clauses aroused but little discussion, the only important amendment made being in the clause defining the claims or disputes which might be submitted to the council of conciliation or arbitration. To meet the general view, Mr. Barton considerably extended this section, so as to include any or every claim or dispute which could possibly arise. The breach of established trade customs or usages was also, by another amendment, made a legal cause of dispute.

ABOUT midnight a stoppage was made at clause 23, which provides that the parties agreeing to abide by the decision of the Court of Arbitration should nominate three of their number to act as sureties or scapegoats, so that the decision of the court might be duly enforced. The criticism upon this clause put Mr. Barton somewhat out of patience, and, wearying at last of the endless flow of petty comment, he made an urgent appeal to members to cease talking and to get on with the bill. He even threatened, if better progress was not made, to adjourn the debate, since there were limits even to the superhuman physical endurance of a member of the Cabinet. This reminder, however, had no effect, and after the talk had gone on for a few minutes longer Mr. Barton carried out his threat and moved the Chairman out of the chair, leaving the unfinished bill to be completed on the morrow. The Government did not attempt any further work, but Mr. Barton promised to go on with the Land Boilers Inspection Bill next sitting. On the motion for adjournment Mr. Sharp drew a terrible picture of the lawless state of affairs prevalent in Surry Hills, alluding particularly to a case of assault which had occurred in Cleveland-street, where some larrikins had set upon a man at an early hour in the evening, and had kicked him almost to death. It appears, from the statements made by Mr. Sharp and his colleague Mr. M'Gowen, that the "pushes" roam uncontrolled through this neighbourhood, and the police are quite powerless to cope with the evil. Several other members bore testimony to the insufficiency of the police force, and the Government was strongly urged to take steps to repress the growing larrikin evil. Mr. Barton promised to do all that he could to inquire into the matter, and the House rose.

MR. DIBBS was considerably better yesterday. His Excellency the Governor visited him during the afternoon. The Premier has not been interviewed by his colleagues since Friday last, but it is hoped that he will have sufficiently recovered by the end of this week to again preside over a meeting of the Cabinet. The routine duties of the Premier, during his illness, have been performed by several members of the Government, and Mr. Barton has officiated for Mr. Dibbs in the Legislative Assembly. Daily during this week there have been meetings of the Ministry in the Ministerial-room, Parliament House, but the matters discussed chiefly referred to the business before the House. At the next full meeting of the Cabinet, which is to take place on Saturday, providing the Premier is well enough to preside, the demand of the Chief Railway Commissioner for an inquiry into the charges made against him by Mr. Schey will be considered.

THE Colonial Treasurer has been deputed by his colleagues in the Ministry to take charge of the Land Boilers Inspection Bill, which it is hoped will be fully discussed in the Legislative Assembly this evening. The Colonial Treasurer expressed the opinion that the bill should not provoke lengthened debate, and he sees no reason why it should not be forwarded to the Legislative Council early next week. The Additional and Loan Estimates are prepared, and the Government desires to lay them before the House next Tuesday night. When these estimates have received attention, the Appropriation Bill will be submitted. The Government, rather than bring down any other bill, is anxious to close the session at the end of the current month.

THE Colonial Treasurer stated in the Assembly last night that provision for the Labour Bureau service will be submitted for the approval of Parliament with the Additional Estimates for 1892. Pending the passing of these estimates, the necessary payments are being made from the Treasurer's advance vote.

MR. LYNE, the Minister for Works, announced in the Assembly last night that it is the intention of the Government to consider the advisableness of locking the Darling River. He assured members of the Assembly that the proposal will receive attention during the forthcoming recess.

MR. JOHN SEE, the Colonial Treasurer, replying to queries put in the Assembly last night, said that the account of the Government with the associated banks is not at present overdrawn.

THE Minister for Public Works has recommended that Mr. Cecil Darley, the Engineer-in-Chief for Harbours and Rivers, be president of the Water and Sewerage Board in the place of Mr. Thomas Rowe, who has resigned from the board owing to effluxion of time. As a member of the board Mr. Darley hitherto has received remuneration to the extent of £250 per annum, and as president of the body he will receive an additional fee of £250 per annum. Mr. Hickson, M.I.C.E., Commissioner and Chief Engineer, Roads and Bridges Department, is to be reappointed as a member of the board; and Mr. W. L. Vernon, Government Architect, is to be a new member. Mr. Hickson and Mr. Vernon will each be paid £250 per annum for his services on the board. These appointments will be finally ratified at the next meeting of the Executive Council.

THE Colonial Treasurer informed the Assembly last night that tenders were recently invited by the Railway Commissioners for the supply of valves, fittings, and cocks, and that the contract had been let to a firm which intends to import the articles. The difference between the tender of Milne Bros., a colonial firm, and the lowest tender received was 22½ per cent., and in view of the great disparity in price, the Commissioners, while anxious to have all the work consistent with reasonable prices being obtained, done locally, could not do otherwise than accept the lowest tender in the case in point. The value of the contract is estimated at £1008.

ACCORDING to answers given in the Assembly last night by the Minister for Public Works, seven tenders were received last week by the Water Supply and Sewerage Board for 15,000 cast-iron pipes, 4in. in diameter. The tenderers were:—Messrs. G. and C. Hoskins, £9254 1s 7d, cast on end; G. and C. Hoskins, £9039 15s 7d, cast on bank; Atlas Engineering Company, £8572, cast on angle; Pope, Maher, and Co., £9362 4s 7½d; Hudson Bros., £9509 11s 3d. The following informal tenders were sent in for imported pipes without duty:—D. Y. Stewart and Co., £6375 8s 6d; Hudson Bros., £6759 7s 7d; J. B. Johnston and Co., £6924 11s 4½d, with duty; J. B. Johnston and Co., £6466 13s 6½d, without duty; Burns, Philp, and Co., £7915 14s, without duty; Burns, Philp, and Co., £8750 19s 7d, with duty. The advertisement inviting tenders stipulated for the manufacture of the pipes in the colony, and the form of tender was in accordance therewith. The specification did not definitely provide for this, but it had to be read with the form of tender and the notice inviting the same, which made this point perfectly clear. The rates quoted were an advance upon those charged for pipes imported heretofore for similar purposes.

THE Colonial Treasurer laid upon the table of the Assembly last night a statement showing the amounts paid out of the consolidated revenue on account of pensions and gratuities from the date of the passing of the Constitution Act to the 31st December, 1891. Payments, as far as can be ascertained from the printed statement, date back to November, 1855. From then till now there has been paid the following sums:—Pensions under schedule B, £297,028 6s 11d; pensions voted by Parliament, £227,330 13s 3d; gratuities, £80,067 16s 4d; and other such charitable sums, £110,304 6s 2d: making a total from 1855 to 1891 of £714,730 16s 8d.

THE Minister for Public Works will receive the following deputations to-day:—At 11 o'clock from the members for the Richmond, with regard to improvements to the entrance of the Richmond River; at 11.30 a.m. from Messrs. J. P. Cullen and E. M. Clark, Ms.L.A., regarding the extension of the tramway from North Sydney to Manly and Pittwater; at noon Mr. Hart, M.L.A., will introduce a deputation with reference to the tramway to Stockton and Port Stephens; and at 12.30 p.m. Mr. Sydney Smith, M.L.A., will interview the Minister on the proposed Sunny Corner railway. A deputation of representatives of the Katoomba Municipal Council will wait upon the Minister of Justice at 12.30 on Friday with reference to the erection and selection of a site for a courthouse at Katoomba.

ONCE more the attention of the Government has been directed to the overtime worked by the tramway employees. In answer to questions asked on this subject in the Legislative Assembly last night, the Colonial Treasurer said that during the three months ended the 31st December, 1891, 1302 hours of overtime were worked, equal to less than two days per month per man. It was impossible to altogether avoid overtime, a number of men having to come on for one additional trip daily in the afternoons to meet the press of traffic between the hours of 5 and 6; and, on exceptional occasions, such as public holidays, race meetings, and for Parliamentary special trams, overtime must occasionally be worked. The requirements could not profitably be met by the employment of additional hands for the irregular services required.

THE Minister for Public Works has had under consideration the requests made to him for changing the terminus of the city end of the King-street to Ocean-street cable tramway to either Market-place or a point leading in the direction of Erskine-street. Mr. Lyne has not arrived at a decision, as to him it is not yet clear whether the bill as recently passed by Parliament will allow of any terminus other than at the foot of King-street. He is of opinion that the Act empowers him as Minister to provide for shunting accommodation near the stated terminus, but he is undecided whether a deviation of the extent sought could be granted. Investigation by officials of the Works Department has shown that the line might be diverted from King-street to Day-street, in the direction of Erskine-street, by an extra expenditure of £12,000, which amount would cover the resumption of the necessary land and properties.

THE temporary post and telegraph offices at Newtown cost the Government an annual rental of £275, and a special allowance to the extent of £78, in lieu of quarters, is made to the postmaster pending the erection of the proposed new premises. Mr. Slattery, for Mr. Kidd, informed the Assembly last night that at present it is impossible to say how long these expenses are likely to be incurred, as until further financial arrangements are made the proposed new buildings cannot be erected.

IT has been arranged that the official opening of the Yass tramway shall take place on the 20th April. His Excellency the Governor has consented to perform the ceremony, and, circumstances permitting, the Minister for Public Works, and several members of Parliament, will be present at the festivities.

IN the No. 1 Jury Court yesterday the action Robinson and another v. Douglas was resumed, and is likely to last some time. This is the second trial of the case, and plaintiffs, who are the well-known firm of engineers and wheelwrights, of Rochdale (England), are suing defendant to recover the sum of £800 for machinery supplied to him for his flourmill at Goulburn. In the No. 2 Court the evidence in the action Brown and others v. Robertson, after extending into five days, was concluded, and again some testimony of a remarkably contradictory, not to say startling, character was given. The case will conclude to-day. We have been requested to notify that the jurors summoned for No. 2 Court (except those engaged in the present case) will not be required until 1.45 p.m.

A MOTION relating to the Stationers' Hall in George-street (formerly carried on by C. E. Fuller and Co.), which had been before the Bankruptcy Court on several days, was finally dealt with by Mr. Justice Manning yesterday. The official assignee of Fuller's estate impeached the sale of the business to J. E. Black, and asked the Court to make an order declaring that he, as official assignee, was entitled, as against J. E. Black, to the stock-in-trade, debts, credits, and effects of the business. His Honor, after making a careful review of the evidence, said he could not come to any other conclusion than that Black was acting for Fuller, that the property was Fuller's, and therefore the official assignee was entitled to succeed in that case. An order was made accordingly. Later in the day an interim injunction was granted for a stay of proceedings in regard to an action for the recovery of two sums of £40 (candidate's deposits) brought by C. E. Fuller against the returning officer for Central Cumberland. The object of the stay of proceedings is to afford time for the hearing of a motion for an order declaring that the official assignee of Fuller's estate is entitled to those moneys.

IN Equity Jurisdiction yesterday, Mr. Justice Owen, on the motion of Mr. Langer Owen, issued a decree nisi, returnable on Friday, against Alfred Joseph Watt for disobedience to a decree of the Court. In the suit of Russell v. the North Sydney Investment and Tramway Company, argument by counsel was concluded, and his Honor reserved his decision. The suit of Davison and another v. Smith and another, for the specific performance of a contract relating to land at Forty Baskets Bay, was commenced, and stands as part heard.

AT the Water Police Court yesterday, Captain Fisher, S.M., concluded the hearing of the charge against Thomas Smith Richardson, manager of the Sydney Deposit Bank, "that he did wilfully and falsely swear that the quarterly abstract ended the 27th December, 1891, was a true abstract, showing the average amount of the liabilities and assets of the bank." Captain Fisher held that a prima facie case had been made out, and committed Richardson to take his trial at the next sittings of the Central Criminal Court. Bail was allowed—the accused in £2000, and four sureties each of £300.

PROFESSOR ANDERSON STUART, of the University of Sydney, who has been absent from the colony for about eight months, returned to Sydney by express train from Melbourne yesterday. The Professor was a passenger by the R.M.S. Arcadia. He left the vessel at Adelaide, whence he journeyed overland. Professor Pitt Cobbett, another passenger by the Arcadia, has also returned to Sydney. Miss L. M'Donald, M.A., the Principal of the Women's College within the University of Sydney, was a passenger by the same vessel, but did not reach Melbourne in time to catch the express train which left on Tuesday. It is expected that she will arrive in Sydney by express train to-day. The Hon. W. H. Suttor, M.L.C., was among the persons who went to the railway station, Redfern, yesterday, intending to welcome Miss M'Donald to Sydney.

IN connection with recent examinations at the University of Sydney, the following students in the Faculty of Medicine have been recommended for a pass:—Second professional examination, E. H. Binney, T. A. Green, G. B. Sweet; third professional examination, F. Challands, C. E. Corlette, R. Dick, R. Freshney, C. H. E. Lawes, J. P. D. Leahy, H. Lister, H. I. Maitland, B. A. Newell, J. Lark, F. J. T. Sawkins, F. C. S. Shaw, F. Tidswell.

THE monthly meeting of the ladies' committee of the Boys' Brigade was held in the Town Hall on Friday last. Present—Mrs. Wilkinson (in the chair), Mrs. Rosenthal (hon. treasurer), Mrs. Kirkcaldie (hon. secretary), Mrs. Vicars, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Woods, Mrs. Reading, Mrs. H. Hudson, Mrs. M. Harris, Mrs. John See, Mrs. A. Meeks, Mrs. Robjohns, Mrs. Weaver, Mrs. J. Coates, and Mrs. Allen. Apologies were received from several ladies. The hon. treasurer handed in the sum of £3, of which £2 was a donation towards the building fund, bringing the account at the Savings' Bank (which was started last month) to £10. Expenditure for the month, £1 11s 4d. Mr. Cleland reported a steady increase in the number of members, and stated that the classes are well attended, the average nightly attendance during the hottest weather being about 66. Donations of clothing were received.

THE monthly meeting of the committee of the Industrial Blind Institution took place in the institution on Monday last. Three applications from blind men for admission into the institution were considered, two of the men being admitted. One of the blind workers applied for an increase in wages; his earnings for the past six months were reported, and an increase of 5s per week was granted. Accounts for payment amounting to £133 13s 11d were passed. The sale of goods for February (manufactured by the blind) amounted to £158 17s 10d, and the wages paid to blind workers during the same period amounted to £114 16s 11d. Subscriptions and donations received during February amounted to £87 12s 6d.

THE annual meeting of the Sydney Hebrew Ladies' Dorcas and Female Benevolent Institution was held on Monday afternoon at the vestry of the Great Synagogue, at which several ladies were present, besides the members of the committee. By unanimous desire, Mrs. D. L. Levy occupied the chair in the absence of the Rev. A. B. Davis through press of official duties, and from whom a letter was read regretting his absence. The report, which was of a highly satisfactory and encouraging nature, was read by the hon. secretary, Mrs. Myer Rintel, and adopted, and the committee was re-elected, Mrs. Louis Phillips having accepted a position on the board to fill up a vacancy. Great regret was expressed at the continued indisposition of Mrs. A. B. Davis, the president.

A MEETING of the unemployed was held in the Domain yesterday afternoon. Messrs. Houghton and Bavister, Ms.L.A., were expected to be present, but did not put in an appearance. About 100 men were present. Several speeches of the usual type were made, and it was asserted that numbers of men and women were absolutely destitute, and that they wanted bread or work. A deputation consisting of five married and five single men, who, it was stated, were representative of the destitute section of the "unemployed," was appointed to wait upon the Minister for Works. It was also resolved to request some of the labour members to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of bringing under the attention of the Government the real state of the men.

THE annual meeting of the Aborigines' Protection Association, to which friends of the aborigines, as well as subscribers, were invited, was held last evening in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. J. M. Chanter, M.L.A., was in the chair. A summary of a very lengthy report on the work of the past, and proposals for the future, was read by the general secretary of the association, Mr. G. E. Ardill, and a balance-sheet, which showed a sum to credit, was submitted by Mr. U. W. Carpenter. On the motion of the Rev. W. G. Lawes, it was resolved that the report be adopted, and that a deputation, consisting of the members of the council, together with such gentlemen as the council might invite, wait upon the Colonial Secretary to urge the introduction of legislation to deal with the condition of the aborigines.

LAST night a tea meeting and musical evening took place in the Town Hall, Redfern, in connection with the church of the convent, for the purpose of welcoming the minister, the Rev. S. J. Curtis, and to celebrate the inaugural services in connection with the church. Owing to the inclement weather the attendance was not large at either the tea or the public meeting. At the latter a very creditable musical programme was submitted. Addresses of welcome to the Rev. Mr. Curtis were made by several of the leading members of the church. To these Mr. Curtis suitably replied.

THE recital of the city organist at the Town Hall yesterday afternoon was not so well attended as usual, owing to the heavy rain. However, the programme was essentially tuneful and pleasant, besides enabling the organist to play with incisive clearness and brilliancy Bach's great fugue in G minor. The opening number was a "Grand Chorus in G," by M. Chauvet, the organist at the Church of St. Thomas Aquinas, Paris, which proved a well-written piece, with some fine effects for the instrument. Mr. Wiegand contrasted with this his own less imposing "Song Without Words" (in D flat), a sweet and tender effusion of sound in which the *vox humana* played the principal part to a light accompaniment for flutes. The programme also announced a choral *adagio* from Mendelssohn's "St. Paul." Mr. Wiegand did not play this, however, but the lovely soprano solo, "Jerusalem," in which he used the fine cornopean stop with an effect of the most expressive pathos. As an extra number, the artist added a Romance from Haydn's "Symphonie de la Reine," and the recital was closed with Scotson Clarke's "Marche aux Flambeaux"—a capital selection for a military band, and one better suited, perhaps, to Mr. Wiegand's "popular" nights than to a Wednesday afternoon. There will be no further recital this week, the next being fixed for Tuesday night.

THE Garrick Theatre was densely crowded in circle, stalls, and gallery alike last night, when Signora Tancioni Cuttica repeated her truly fine impersonation of Lucia. Such a house, in face of the pouring rain, testifies strongly to the sound musical taste of the city, for Signora Cuttica's vocal style is marked by extreme delicacy, and is quite free from ad captandum appeals to the gallery. Last night "Ardon gl' incensi" was encored, and the prima donna was awarded many bouquets. Before this the famous sestett and chorus of the second act had also been encored; and, indeed, the rendering by Signora Cuttica and Signori Cuttica, Sisco and Iorio, with Mr. Robert Kennedy and Signorina Tresani in the lesser parts, had been unusually fine. Signor Maffezzoli's direction was invaluable here. This evening "Lucrezia Borgia" will be repeated for the last time by the Guidotti-Vilalta cast, when Signor Travaglini will once more make his great effects in the heavy bass rôle, and to-morrow "Martha" will be produced (with the Cuttica cast) for the first time this season. "La Traviata" is now announced for repetition on Saturday.

A PLEASANT evening with "Browning" was spent at the St. John's Darlinghurst Literary Institute on Tuesday evening last. An interesting paper on the life and works of Mrs. Browning was read by Mr. H. De Y. Scroggie, vice-president of the institute, and was followed by an animated discussion on the relative merits of the poet and poetess.

MESSRS. F. Lassetter and Co., Limited, received a telegram yesterday to say that their agricultural exhibits on the Tenterfield show ground have won the Government national prize.

AMPLE provision has been made for those who wish to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Special church festivals will be held in honour of the occasion at St. Mary's Cathedral and St. Patrick's. Cardinal Moran will preside at the former place, and one of the Vincentian Fathers at the latter. A demonstration of the United Irish Societies is to be held at Sir Joseph Banks Ground, Botany, for which a large programme of sports has been provided. The procession is to start from St. Benedict's Hall at 9 o'clock. A concert at the New Masonic Hall will follow the festivities at Botany. The St. Patrick's Day banquet will take place this evening at the Town Hall, and will be presided over by the Mayor of Sydney (Alderman W. P. Manning). The Central Cumberland Agricultural Show will be opened by Mr. T. M. Slattery, Minister for Mines and Agriculture. There will also be dancing at Chowder Bay during the evening.

THE General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales sat yesterday from 10 a.m. to 10.5 p.m., with intervals for dinner and tea. The reports of the church property, law, and documents committee, of the principal of St. Andrew's College, and of the Moderator as visitor of St. Andrew's College, were received. The returns from presbyteries anent epitome of doctrine were laid on the table, and were received. At dinner in the Australia Hotel the Rev. T. E. Clouston, the ex-Moderator, presiding, Dr. Steel moved, and the Rev. R. M'Kinnon seconded, a vote of thanks to the hospitality committee, who had arranged the dinners in the Australia; and also a vote of thanks to the ladies of the congregations who had provided members of the assembly with tea. When these two had spoken, the Rev. J. K. Bruce took the opportunity afforded him by the chairman of thanking the committee and ladies on behalf of the "new chums." Mr. Alex. Dean replied on behalf of the hospitality committee, and of the ladies, and of the congregations. During the afternoon sederunt the proposed regulations of the aged and infirm ministers' fund were considered in committee. Progress was reported to the house, and leave was given to sit again. At the evening sederunt deputations from the Local Option League, the Good Templars, and the Bush Missionary Society were welcomed, and a speaker from each organisation was heard in support of its objects. The debate on the overture anent the work of women in the Church was concluded, and by a more than two to one majority the question was remitted to a committee for report to the next assembly. An endeavour will be made to bring the sittings of the assembly to a conclusion to-day.

WE have to record the death of Mr. Charles Naughton, a former resident of Bourke, and well known in connection with pastoral and sporting matters. Mr. Naughton held the position of secretary to the Bourke Pastoral Association for a number of years. He was a son of the late James Naughton, commissioner of police, and late resident magistrate of Auckland, New Zealand.

WE have received from Messrs. Shepherd and Co., nurserymen and seedsmen, their descriptive catalogue for 1892. It is well got up, and contains a variety of interesting and valuable information.

THE children of the Randwick Asylum enjoyed their annual picnic excursion to Cabarita, on the Parramatta River, yesterday. At an early hour in the morning the superintendent (Mr. Coulter) and the matron (Miss Polack) had upwards of 200 children assembled in the large quadrangle of the institution, and shortly after 8 o'clock they left Randwick, accompanied by Mr. J. Douglas's brass band, in a special tram for Bent-street. Upon arriving at the Circular Quay the steamer Lincoln was in waiting to receive them, and shortly after 9 o'clock it proceeded to its destination. The following directors were present:—Mr. Joseph Graham, J.P. (hon. treasurer), Mr. John Macpherson, J.P., Hon. John Davies, M.L.C., Mr. H. Hicks, Mr. F. W. Pearce, and Mr. Alderman Kippax. Through the kindness of friends, the children were abundantly supplied with provisions, sweetmeats, ginger beer, lemon syrup, fruit, &c.

A MAN named Charles Harper, aged 53 years, who resided with his wife and family in Arthur-street, Marrickville, died at his residence on Tuesday night. It appears that at about 9.15 p.m. deceased with his horse and van drove past a man named Charles Tye on the Marrickville-road. On Tye proceeding along the road he found deceased lying unconscious on the tramline. Constable Bell was informed, and he conveyed the deceased to his residence, where Dr. Martin examined the man, and pronounced life to be extinct. The doctor found a bruise on the skull and a discharge from the left ear. The City Coroner yesterday held an inquest into the circumstances, at the Empress of India Hotel, at the corner of Illawarra and Marrickville roads, Marrickville. The jury returned a verdict to the effect that deceased had succumbed to an injury to the skull, but the evidence adduced did not show how he received such injury.

YESTERDAY morning the body of a man was found floating in Berry's Bay, North Sydney. It was conveyed by the water police to the North Sydney Morgue. The body had apparently been in the water only a few hours. It was identified as being that of a man named J. Horne, who had been staying at No. 3 Belle View-terrace, Blue's Point, North Sydney. Deceased was about 45 years of age, and 5ft. 8in. in height.

THE inquest into the death of Jane M'Crow, who was found murdered on the Blackfriars Estate on the 5th February last, was virtually concluded yesterday at the Coroner's Court, Chancery-square; but, upon the conclusion of the evidence, some of the jurors expressed a desire to hear the evidence of the man Flood, who picked up the butcher's knife at the scene of the murder and handed it to the constable, as they were not quite satisfied on the point. The coroner said that in that case he would have to adjourn the inquest. The inquest was accordingly adjourned till Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at 10 a.m.

THE Deputy City Coroner held a magisterial inquiry yesterday in the coroner's office, Chancery-square, upon the body of the lad, aged 11 years, named Louis Picand, who resided at 131 Phillip-street, and who fell from a wall near Domain-terrace, in Macquarie-street, on Tuesday morning. Mr. Pinhey recorded a finding of accidental death.

THE magisterial inquiry opened on Tuesday at the South Sydney morgue before Mr. W. T. Pinhey, Deputy City Coroner, was concluded yesterday. It related to the circumstances attending death of the engine-cleaner, Ernest Francis the Peters, who was killed on Monday by falling into the crank-shaft pit, on the dredge Neptune, while working at the head of Long Cove Bay, Leichhardt. The Deputy Coroner entered a finding of death from injuries accidentally received.

SPEAKING of the new star that has suddenly appeared in the constellation Auriga, in the Milky Way, the *Spectator* says:—"Whether this new-comer of the universe has only sailed into the astronomers' ken for a time, and will be visible only while traversing that portion of its path in space which is open to view from the earth, or whether it has come to stop, is not known. The new star's appearance is, however, a vivid reminder of the terrific possibilities of space. It is conceivable that some day a new phenomenon of the heavens as realisable to ordinary vision as the sun or moon may come into being, and that what we are apt to consider the primal conditions of life may suffer revolution. If a sufficiently large and bright star appeared opposite the sun a sort of daylight might become perpetual."

THE BROKEN HILL WATER SUPPLY.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BROKEN HILL, WEDNESDAY.

Mr. C. Allison, the town clerk, who was sent by the Municipal Council to Sydney with the water deputation, has just returned. He states that he interviewed the directors of the Stephen's Creek Company in Melbourne, on the way through, and he affirms that there is no hope whatever of their taking up the bill. It was suggested that a clause should be inserted in the bill, when before the Legislative Council, giving the company power to make contracts with the Municipal Council and the people of Broken Hill. This the company would accept, but Mr. Dibbs refused it on behalf of the Government. Mr. Allison inclines to the opinion that the best chance of the town getting a water supply is through Stockdale's company. He says that there is no hope of the Government under any circumstances undertaking the work, and he thinks the delegates might have done a great deal of good in negotiating with Stockdale's company if they had remained longer in Sydney.

THE CULCAIRN TO COROWA RAILWAY.

THE APPLICATION OF THE BETTERMENT PRINCIPLE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COROWA, WEDNESDAY.

The arbitration court (Messrs. Kirkpatrick and Young), which is sitting to adjust the claims for compensation in connection with the Culcairn to Corowa railway, took voluminous evidence to-day regarding the amended claim of F. C. Piggin for £1200, being £1000 for severance and the balance for actual value of the land taken. The case is the most important regarding agricultural or grazing land that will have to be dealt with by the board, and, many witnesses having yet to be examined, it will probably last the remainder of the week. Concluding evidence was given regarding William Weimar's claim for £156 for land taken at Walla Walla. Much interest is being taken locally in the progress of the court business. The claimants are now contesting each case on its merits, and are making no single test case.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE EUROPEAN SITUATION.

THE CZAR DESIROUS OF MAINTAINING PEACE.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

It is stated that the Czar of Russia is desirous that the peace of Europe should remain undisturbed. It is also reported that he has ordered the Russian press to placate Germany in regard to the Russian military preparations on the frontier, which have given rise to much uneasiness in Berlin.

THE ANARCHISTS IN PARIS.

THE FRENCH PENAL CODE.

THE LOBAU INCIDENT.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

President Carnot has agreed to the addition of a clause to the French penal code by which the penalty of death is attached to the destruction of property by the agency of explosives. A measure to legalise this change will be introduced to the French Chambers immediately.

The bomb which was exploded at Lobau Barracks in Paris by members of the Anarchist Party is found to have been loaded with bullets, but nevertheless no lives were lost by the explosion.

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M. Loubet, the French Premier, made a promise in the Chamber of Deputies that the Government would take steps to repress the Anarchist movement with a strong hand.

The clause proposed to be added to the penal code by President Carnot has been referred to a committee of the Chamber.

It is now believed that the explosion which took place at the Lobau Barracks was caused by picric acid.

Warrants have been issued in Paris for the arrest of 200 Anarchists.

EXTENSIVE ROBBERY OF DYNAMITE.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

An extensive robbery of dynamite has taken place at Chambery, in the department of Savoie.

PUGILISM IN AMERICA.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

J. L. Sullivan and Corbett have signed articles for a fight to take place on the 7th September, at New Orleans, for £9000.

THE POSTAL CONFERENCE AT HOBART.

THE OPENING MEETING.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

HOBART, WEDNESDAY.

The Postal Conference met in the Legislative Chambers at 10 o'clock this morning. All the representatives were present. Mr. Duffy (Victoria) proposed that Mr. Bird be appointed chairman. He paid a compliment to Mr. Bird's experience as Postmaster-General of Tasmania, and regretted the absence of a representative from New Zealand, which he was sorry to say had fallen into the background.

Mr. Unmack (Queensland) seconded the motion, which was carried.

Mr. Bird, in returning thanks, deplored the absence of New Zealand. He pointed out that amongst the beneficial results of the previous conference had been a federal mail service and uniform postage rates, which could not have been otherwise attained.

The delegates presented their credentials. Mr. T. J. Just was appointed secretary. It was resolved that the press be admitted to the conference.

Mr. Unmack tabled copies of the Postal and Telegraph Acts. Mr. Duffy regretted that owing to pressure of Parliamentary work a similar measure had not been passed in Victoria. The following notices of motion were given:—By Mr. J. Kidd (New South Wales),—"That it is desirable that the reduced intercolonial telegraph charge, as recommended by the Sydney Conference, be adopted from the 1st July. With the exception of Western Australia and New Zealand, the rates between any two contiguous colonies to be 1s for 15 words, and 1½d for each additional word, the names and addresses to be paid for; between any three colonies the minimum charge to be 1s 6d for 15 words, and 2d for each additional word, a similar rate to apply to telegrams to and from Tasmania, plus the cable rates, Tasmania being treated as a colony contiguous to Victoria. Telegrams to and from Western Australia to be dealt with as follows:—Between South Australia and Western Australia, 1s 6d for the first 15 words, including names and addresses, and 2d for each additional word; between New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, 1s for 15 words, including names and addresses, and 3d for each additional word; between Queensland and Western Australia, 2s 6d for 15 words, including names and addresses, and 4d for each additional word. From the same date local charges for messages within the several colonies to be as follow:—Not exceeding 15 words, 6d, and 1d for each additional word, names and addresses to be paid for as in the case of intercolonial messages. That it be a recommendation for the several Governments that the inland postage rates for each colony be reduced to 1d for ½oz. from the 1st July. That it is advisable that the system of dealing with letters relating to racing sweeps and betting transactions should be uniform throughout Australia." Mr. Copley (South Australia) to move,—"That the drafting of a code of rules and regulations for the erection of electric light and power wire be referred to a committee of experts, consisting of Mr. E. C. Cracknell, Mr. J. Smibert, and Mr. Henry Todd, representing their respective Governments, and Messrs. Hase, Arnott, and Calender, representing the electric light companies."

At 10.55 a.m. the conference adjourned till to-morrow. Mr. Bird entertained the delegates this afternoon. The Governor, Sir Robert Hamilton, will entertain them to-morrow evening.

THE ALBURY VINTAGE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALBURY, WEDNESDAY.

The vintage operations are now in full swing at the Murray Valley, St. Hilaire, Hillside, and other vineyards. The crop generally is reported to be fully equal to the average, whilst the must, owing to the dry weather and the heat, is exceptionally rich. Three samples from the Murray Valley were tested with Bate's saccharometer, the specific gravities being respectively—Muscat, 1128.6; Burgundy, 1146.4; Roussillon, 1114. These weights are largely in excess of the average.

BRUTAL ASSAULT ON TWO CONSTABLES.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

NEWCASTLE, WEDNESDAY.

The case against sailors for brutally ill-using Constables M'Guigan and Dunshey, on Monday night, has been remanded till Friday. M'Guigan is still in hospital in a very precarious state. His nose is shattered, and he is seriously wounded in the forehead and below each eye. It is questionable whether he will be able to attend the hearing of the case on Friday.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE COALMINERS' STRIKE.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

A portion of the Barnsley coalminers have resumed work. The Forest of Dean and Cumberland miners will resume work on the 19th.

THE ATTEMPTED BANK ROBBERY IN LONDON.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

The man Hart, who was captured after having attempted to carry off a box of valuables during banking hours at the London and Westminister Bank, has been committed for trial.

SIR WILLIAM ROBINSON.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

Sir William C. F. Robinson, who is suffering from an attack of malarial typhoid, is slowly recovering.

AMALGAMATION. OF BANKS.

THE BANK OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

It is reported that the Bank of South Australia is to be absorbed in the Union Bank of Australia, the shareholders of the former receiving one share in the amalgamated bank for five held in the Bank of South Australia.

LATER.

Shares of the Bank of South Australia are quoted at £11.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ADELAIDE. WEDNESDAY.

The colonial manager of the Bank of South Australia has received a cable to the effect that negotiations for an amalgamation between the Union Bank and that institution are virtually concluded, subject, of course, to ratification by the shareholders.

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

TENTERFIELD INTERCOLONIAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

TENTERFIELD, WEDNESDAY.

The Tenterfield Intercolonial Agricultural Society was very fortunate in weather for its fifteenth annual exhibition. The district lately received heavy showers and appeared at its best. Visitors came from many parts of Queensland, some bringing exhibits. Sydney and the towns north of it were well represented. The hotels of the town are crowded to excess. The show ground, covering an area of eight acres, is admirably selected between the town and the railway station. The society is well circumstanced, having spent £2500 on improvements, and being still clear of debt. There are 300 members on the roll. The grand stand, main pavilion, sheep pens, poultry shed, and parade rings are all of a good plain kind. About £250 was spent on the cattle yards this year. About 14 boxes are provided for stallions. The management generally was excellent. There are over 3000 entries for this year's exhibition. The Government gave £250 in the national prize and the society about £800. It is an excellent show all round. The main pavilion presents many attractions and examples of industries, the most prominent features being the collections of wattle barks, soap by W. H. Evanis, collection of farm produce for the national prize, tinware by J. Ferguson, exhibits from the botanic gardens at Toowoomba, emery polish made near the town, a wine trophy by J. Kirchen, collections of minerals by J. H. Reid and the Rev. F. G. Spooner, collections of timbers by Mr. Deverell, forest ranger, and the Department of Agriculture. A household cupboard fully stocked competing for the Mayor's prize, shown by Mr. Lillicrap; collections of fruit packed for export, each accompanied by an essay, the prize being won by R. H. Bullock; models of fruits and grasses from the Department of Agriculture. All the butter exhibited was shown in a glass case. There were immense collections of leather by Wherat and Co., and bee and honey appliances. There was a large display of excellent wheat, a good show of potatoes, and a large collection of hay, chaff, maize, and vegetables. Outside the main pavilion the horticultural exhibits were well displayed in a marquee. Searl and Sons sent a nice collection of flowers. The local exhibits were very choice. Lassetter and Co. placed an immense collection of machinery, as did Walker, in competition for the national prize, comprising some of the latest novelties in the former, won by Hudson Brothers. F. Mason, M'Lean Brothers and Rigg, and J. Martin and Co. were well represented. The sheep shed was well filled with merinos, Clark, of Talgai, and Marshall and Slade, both of Queensland, being the chief prize-takers with good, well-fleeced sheep. Clark won the Grand Intercolonial Champion Prize. What jumping was done was extraordinarily good, but the best events are for the second day. The chief jumping horses came from Brisbane. Miss Jordan, on Fenwick's Pasha, won the Champion Lady's Jumping Contest, clearing 5ft. In poultry, Harold Cadell was the chief prize winner. The attendance was very large, and about £90 was taken at the gates. The show was opened by Mr. Lee, M.L.A., who said he was glad the exhibition was thoroughly intercolonial. Queensland had always aided them, and he hoped to find the line of division completely overcome by federation. Mr. Walker, the president, presided at the judges' luncheon, and was courteous and hospitable to all visitors. During the afternoon the ground presented a very gay appearance. The grandstand was crowded. It was the liveliest show I have met with this year. The ground is supplied with the electric light, and is open to visitors in the evenings.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

BRAIDWOOD, WEDNESDAY.

The show was held to-day under the most unfavourable conditions, rain falling nearly all day. As a consequence, the attendance was very poor, and a large number who had entered the different sections did not put in an appearance with their exhibits. The entries in the horse section were very large, all shown being in splendid condition. J. Jeffrey, Hassall, Roberts, and Royds being the prizetakers for blood stallions. The former also for draught stallion, and A. Bassingthwaithe for coaching stallion. Messrs. Royds, Hassall, M'Grath, C. Roberts, Bassingthwaithe, and C. B. Maddrell were the principal winners. Amongst miscellaneous horses, the hacks, trotting and buggy horses will be judged to-morrow, and jumping contests will also take place. Some really good cattle were shown, all being in tip-top condition. J. M'Grath was awarded the prize for the best bull. Hassall, Roberts, and Royds were the largest prize-winners in the other sections. Messrs. M'Dowall, Mulligan, C. Roberts, H. F. Maddrell, and Bassingthwaite, were also awarded prizes. Messrs. Le Maitre, R. F. Hassall, T. M'Dowall, W. Sharpe, and J. Harsed, were prize-winners for sheep; P. Barry, for pigs. In vegetables, T. E. Roberts, R. Keytes, and P. Hennessy were the principal winners. The exhibits in fruit were hard to be excelled anywhere, and the prizes were won by J. Hyland, J. Adarien, and P. Hennessy. The show of jams and preserves was really excellent. The same can also be said of fancy work and drawing. There were large numbers of poultry and pigeons, among them being some very good birds.

BEGA, WEDNESDAY.

The opening of the Bega show was this morning postponed until to-morrow on account of the heavy and continued downpour of rain. It has been raining here incessantly for the last four days. This rain was much needed, as the country was getting fearfully dry, and its effect is felt already by the cattle and dairies. Most of the show exhibits are in and most of the judges are here; but all concur in the postponement of the show. The grounds are very wet, but as the weather is holding a bit there is a chance for the slope to drain and dry considerably during the night.

CARCOAR, WEDNESDAY.

The local agricultural show opens to-morrow. There is a larger number of entries than heretofore. The jumping classes are well filled. The show ring has been enlarged, and with fine weather a large attendance is expected.

TAMWORTH, WEDNESDAY.

A meeting of the committee of the Agricultural and Pastoral Association has been convened for Friday to consider the advisability of postponing the show, advertised to take place early next month, on account of the very dry weather for the past few months.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE MURDER OF A BULGARIAN DIPLOMATIST.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

The Russian Embassy in Constantinople has shipped the instigator of the murder of Dr. Vulkovitch, the Bulgarian diplomatic agent in Constantinople, to Odessa.

SUSPENSION OF A RUSSIAN BANK.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

Gunsburg's Bank in St. Petersburg has suspended payment. The liabilities amount to 6,000,000 roubles.

DISABILITIES OF ROMAN CATHOLICS.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

Mr. Patrick O'Brien, M.P. for Monaghan, has introduced a bill in the House of Commons to remove the disabilities of Roman Catholics.

THE JAPANESE ELECTIONS.

SERIOUS RIOTS.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

The elections to the Japanese Chambers, necessitated by the recent dissolution by the Emperor, have resulted in a majority for the Government.

Riots have taken place in connection with the elections, wherein 20 persons were killed and about 120 wounded.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LAND MORTGAGE COMPANY.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

The South Australian Land Mortgage Company has decided to call up £1 per share.

THE UNEMPLOYED IN BRISBANE.

DISTRESSING SCENE AT THE LABOUR BUREAU.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BRISBANE, WEDNESDAY.

An extraordinary scene was witnessed at the Colonial Secretary's office this morning, when a crowd of women, many bearing infants and most of them accompanied by children, invaded the premises, demanding to see the Colonial Secretary. Mr. Tozer, however, was absent, and the matter had to be attended to by the Under-Secretary, Mr. Parry Okeden. The cause of complaint was soon made known. It appears that within the past few days the Government have determined to take the administration of the relief afforded to them out of the hands of the Brisbane Relief Board and to place it in the hands of the Labour Bureau. Up to the present orders which are given on tradesmen in necessitous cases were distributed at the police office, and to-day saw the first change. The locale was transferred to the labour bureau, and from an early hour this morning an unusual scene presented itself. Men assembled waiting for what was known as their turn, until, as the day wore on, there must have been fully 300, not including the women and children. Mr. Brenan, the officer in charge of the bureau, and his staff were unequal to the emergency, the premises being quite inadequate for the purpose. The result was that there was a block. The passages became crowded with women, old and young, many bearing babes in their arms. Fearing the consequences of a crush, Mr. Brenan thought it advisable to have the doors closed and the passage cleared, the applicants being admitted in batches. Again trouble arose. Women who had assembled in the early morning were kept waiting in the tropical sun in Adelaide-street until they could endure it no longer, and a great number determined to interview the Colonial Secretary. One of the women volunteered herself as a representative, and was shown into Mr. Parry Okeden's room, where she related their grievances. Outside there was a still more animated scene, for Mr. Ragder, Assistant Under-Colonial Secretary, attempted to interview the remainder of the crowd, and as about 20 or 30 attempted to speak at once, the result was rather disturbing. It was apparent that the women had good cause for complaint. In many instances their husbands had been induced to go into the country to look for work, leaving their wives and families behind them. In their absence they had been forced to look for relief, and bitter complaints were made of the manner in which they had been treated on applying for their tickets, also of the quality of the provisions served out to them. Mr. Okeden, recognising that there were grounds for the deputation, came out of his office, and addressing the crowd asked them to return to the labour bureau, whither he would follow them in a few moments. This gave rise to a lively scene. Respectable looking women, with anger in their voices, and tears in their eyes, said bitterly it was not charity, they wanted but work for themselves or their husbands. Mr. Okeden said it was impossible for him to find them work, and the next best thing was to give them relief. But it was no good blocking up the corridor, and they had better return to the bureau. This the women said they would do, some of them promising, however, to return at a later hour if they had met with no better treatment than they had already experienced. Approaching the labour bureau a pitiable scene was presented. In addition to the crowd who had stormed the Colonial Secretary's office there were as many more waiting for their turns to go inside. The front doors were shut, and the pavement was blocked six deep, while a lane at the side was also filled with men waiting employment, and with women and children waiting for relief. On the pavement was stretched an aged woman, who, overcome by the heat and the crowd, had gone into a dead faint. This, the women surrounding her said, was the third or fourth case of a similar nature that morning. The unfortunate woman was taken to the hospital.

Entering the bureau itself, it could be seen that Mr. Brenan and his assistants were doing all they could, but the staff was too small to cope with the crowd assembled outside, and the small offices were crowded. About three or four women from the 300 or 400 outside were admitted at one time. But the process of giving relief tickets was slow, and was rendered still more so by the fact that many applicants were fresh on the books. Mr. Okeden grappled with the matter at once, and in order to prevent a repetition of such a pitiably distressing scene he gave instructions for the distribution of relief at the bureau to be stopped, and in future those desiring assistance will obtain it at the immigration bureau.

DEATH OF MR. E. V. C. MAYNE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BRANXTON, WEDNESDAY.

Mr. E. V. C. Mayne, J.P., of Rothbury Estate, was accidentally killed to-day by a fall from his horse. The deceased was riding out near Mitchell's Flat, in the company of his nephew and Mr. G. Thomas, and was in the act of turning round the corner of a fence running at right angles to Glendon Brook. The space between the fence and the brook was apparently large enough to pass through, but the recent heavy rains had undermined the passage. The horse got his hind legs down the bank and fell right over on the deceased, who only lived a few minutes afterwards. Mr. Mayne was well-known, and very highly respected.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE SEALING DIFFICULTY.

NAVAL PREPARATIONS BY AMERICA.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

Much activity is being displayed in the dockyard at San Francisco in preparing vessels of the United States navy for sea.

THE NEW FRENCH TARIFF.

A DECREASE IN TRADE.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

The imports in France during the month of February, under the new tariff, show a decrease of 1,000,000f. The exports for the same period decreased 23,000,000f.

FRANCE AND AMERICA.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

M. Jules Roche, the French Minister of Commerce, has introduced a bill in the Chamber of Deputies, applying the minimum tariff to American tinned meat and fruit.

THE M'KINLEY TARIFF.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

President Harrison has increased the duties on sugar and hides from Columbia, Hayti, and Venezuela, those countries having refused to reciprocate with the United States under the M'Kinley tariff.

THE STEAMER TAMBO.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

Messrs. Huddart, Parker, and Co.'s new steamer Tambo, intended for the Gippsland trade, has been launched.

INTERCOLONIAL NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

Leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the action Dogherty v. the Bank of Australasia was granted to-day. The action was for wrongful sale of a station, dishonouring promissory-notes, and breach of certain contracts.

To-day a man named Alfred Vogler was arrested charged with participating in obtaining £1650 from a German named Y. A. Schelklok. It appears that in March last year the latter arrived in Melbourne from Warrnambool with £1650, the proceeds of the sale of a farm, &c., intending to return to his native land. He lodged the money in the bank, and on the 1st April met three gentlemen, who induced him, after sight-seeing and drinks, to draw his money from the bank. The "light coin" confidence trick was introduced, and he lost all his money. When he came to himself he found that he was on board a schooner bound for Germany, having been taken on board by "some friends." In Germany he got a return of his passage money from his brother-in-law, and arrived here and set the detectives at work, and Vogler was captured.

At a Cabinet meeting to consider the action to be taken in reference to the contemplated reforms in the Railway Department, some Ministers who attended were prepared to go to extremes and vote for the suspension of the Commissioners, thinking it impolitic to trust them with the carrying out of the Government scheme for curtailing the expenditure and increasing the revenue. The matter was deferred till to-morrow morning.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, WEDNESDAY.

The dead body of a man was found in Breakfast Creek on Monday. It has now been identified as that of John Jones, locomotive engineer, who arrived from Melbourne about a fortnight ago.

At a large representative meeting of northern stockowners, representing about a quarter of a million cattle, resolutions were unanimously passed approving of a tax on stock to the extent of 3d per head, to provide a bonus for the export of meat.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Stanley left for England by the R.M.S. Oceana to-day. Mr. Justice Boucaut was also a passenger.

At a meeting of the committee of the South Australian Cricketing Association to-day, H. G. Sparks, W. O. Whitridge, G. M. Evan, G. Giffen, and J. Creswell were appointed delegates to represent South Australia at the conference for the purpose of forming an Australian cricket council, to be held during the progress of the international match.

The Robertsfors, a Swedish barque, arrived from Santos, Brazil, to-day, and is detained in quarantine owing to several cases of yellow fever having occurred on the voyage. The chief officer and a member of the crew died.

The Customs revenue is in a satisfactory condition, the receipts up to the week ending the 12th March being £460,170, as compared with £438,491 for the corresponding period of last year.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

PERTH, WEDNESDAY.

Two men named Hunt and Cooper were drinking together at Berkshire Valley a few days ago. A quarrel arose and Cooper attacked Hunt with an axe, inflicting such injuries that Hunt expired subsequently. An inquest was held, and a verdict of wilful murder was returned against Cooper, who is now in custody.

The King George's Sound Garrison Discipline Bill is meeting with considerable opposition in the Legislative Council. The bill has been amended to make the garrison subject to the South Australian Military Forces Act of 1878. It is contended that the bill is simply unworkable, and the question has been raised why Western Australians should not comprise the garrison at Albany. The bill has been referred to a select committee. The Ministry proposes to spend £678,728 upon public works out of the loan moneys this year, leaving £593,896 available for future expenditure.

TASMANIA.

LAUNCESTON, WEDNESDAY.

The liquidators of the Bank of Van Diemen's Land will pay a third dividend of 1s in the £ about April 10, making a payment of 4s on the debits to the ordinary creditors. The liquidators have drawn in over £430,000. A large number of outstanding accounts are considered good assets.

The steamer Port Pirie sails from Hobart early to-morrow for London, taking 19,000 cases of apples.

BUILDING SOCIETY FRAUDS AT SOUTH MELBOURNE.

A FURTHER CHARGE AGAINST MATTHIAS LARKIN.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

Yesterday evening a fresh warrant was issued against Matthias Larkin, late secretary of the South Melbourne Permanent Building and Investment Society, charging him with embezzling £400 from the society. A plain-clothes officer went to arrest him, but he could not be found. Detectives have been searching for him, but without success. Larkin is out on bail on three sureties of £1000 each to appear for trial on Monday.

LITTLE'S PHENYLE.

Disinfectants prevent typhoid, &c. Sold everywhere wholesale. The Australian Drug Company, O'Connell-street, Sydney.—[ADVT.]

THE WINDSOR TRAGEDY.

FURTHER HORRIBLE REVELATIONS.

DISAPPEARANCE OF TWO WOMEN AND TWO CHILDREN.

THREE BODIES FOUND UNDER A KITCHEN FLOOR.

WILLIAMS'S HOUSE AT RAINHILL.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MARCH 15.

It has been ascertained that Williams, who is alleged to have committed the murder at Windsor, in Victoria, rented an empty house at Rainhill, in Lancashire, where he was visited by a woman who suddenly disappeared. Grave suspicions are now entertained as to the fate of this woman. It is now remembered that on one occasion his clothes were observed to be marked with blood stains, and that he himself cemented the floor.

He seems to have lodged at an hotel in London for a few days before he sailed, and during that time he obtained many cases of goods under false pretences. Among other things he bought files and drills, and incurred a jeweller's bill for altering articles of jewellery containing diamonds, and also articles of plate. This was done in order to change their appearance. While he stayed in the hotel he was in the habit of wearing many diamonds.

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It has been further discovered that a second woman and two young children, who were sometimes seen by the neighbours about the house rented by Williams at Rainhill, suddenly disappeared. The police are now searching beneath the floors of the house for any possible traces of the missing persons.

A singular circumstance in the affair is that when the house was given up by Williams he despatched some heavy boxes from the place.

LATER.

The bodies of a woman and two children have been found under the kitchen floor of the house at Rainhill, formerly occupied by Williams.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The portrait of Williams published by the *Argus* has led to further particulars being supplied by a lady resident of Hamilton, who recognised in it a wonderful likeness to the prisoner's brother. The lady, who had been living in Birkenhead, states that about Christmas, 1887, Frederick Deeming's wife, about whose disappearance from Sydney grave suspicions have been entertained, arrived at Birkenhead, and a few weeks afterwards she was there joined by Deeming, who was very flush of cash. He treated all his relatives to jewellery, and took a large house in Bridge-street. This he furnished in the most elaborate fashion and invited his brother Albert and his wife to go and live there, Mrs. Fred. Deeming and Mrs. Albert Deeming being sisters. Shortly afterwards Mrs. Frederick Deeming had a child, and her husband left for Africa, as it was supposed. Time passed, and Mrs. Fred. Deeming left Birkenhead to rejoin her husband, but was never afterwards heard of. The informant further says that there were three brothers—Frederick, Albert, and Walter Deeming—and they lived in partnership at Birkenhead as plumbers and gasfitters. About 11 years ago they dissolved partnership. Whilst Albert and Walter went to work in Land's yards, Fredk. emigrated to New South Wales, whence, writing to Mrs. Albert Deeming, he said, "England is nothing but a huge workhouse, and all the people are paupers," his object being apparently to induce his brothers to join him. When asked if she would not feel lonely on account of her husband having gone away, Mrs. Fred. Deeming replied, "Oh, that is nothing. He used to be away from me for months in Australia, when he used to go to the diggings." "Fred. Deeming," she says, "always talked big." And the lady is satisfied that he and the Windsor murderer must be one and the same person, his real name being Deeming, not Williams.

PASTORAL INTELLIGENCE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

ALBURY, WEDNESDAY.

Stock movements: 502 merino ewes and lambs, from Albury, Stoneypark, Hanging Rock, Jno. Kruse owner; 445 merino ewes, from Albury to Talmalmo, Jas. Stewart owner; 80 horses, from Albury to Deniliquin, Jas. Green owner; 300 fat merino ewes, from Walla Walla to Homebush, H. and C. Douglass owners.

CARCOAR, WEDNESDAY.

Stock passing through: Seven trucks sheep, Cowra to Flemington, W. M'Ewan, to Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co.; 1 truck horses, Bathurst to Coolamon, consignor Simpson; 1 truck horses, Cowra to Darling Harbour, consignor Mackey; 7 trucks sheep, Woodstock to Homebush, W. F. Whitney, to Hill, Clark, and Co.; 13 trucks sheep, Western stations to Southern line, various consignors, by road; 150 cattle, Condobolin to Bathurst, owner Hon. Geo. Lee, R. Dunnise in charge.

COONAMBLE, WEDNESDAY.

Stock passings: 2036 ewes, from Gingie station to Homebush via Rylstone, Richmond and Scott owners, T. O'Halloran in charge; 218 fat bullocks, from Yowendah station to Homebush, by road, Amos Brothers owners, Cannody in charge; 1700 fat sheep, from Nelgowrie station to Homebush via Dubbo, A'Beckett Brothers owners, A. Morris in charge; 5000 store sheep, from Nelgowrie station to Roomley station, Mundooran, A'Beckett Brothers owners, C. Williams in charge. The weather continues very dry.

WAGGA, WEDNESDAY.

The following are the stock passings:—4000 wethers, Alick Smith owner, from Hungopiah going to Moredun Hill via Wagga and Narrandera, W. F. Cummins in charge; 7000 wethers, E. W. Norton owner, from Big Springs and Pomingalarna stations, near Wagga, going to Koodrook (Victoria) via Urana and Jerilderie; 9000 ewes, Keogh owner, from Warrana going to Buddigower via Forbes, T. Gibbs in charge; 2000 ewes, G. H. Mohr owner, from Gobbagumbolin station, near Wagga, going to Beechdale (Tumbarumba) via Wyamla Creek, owner in charge; 630 head of bullocks, J. R. Jardine owner, from Aberfoyle going to Albury via Forbes, J. R. Lucas in charge; 54 head of bullocks, Abraham Booth owner, from owners Gobbagumbolin station going to Melbourne market by rail; 60 head of bullocks, Robert M'Intyre owner, from Bomen going by rail to Melbourne market; 10,000 ewes, Keogh owner, from Warranagong to Buddingower via Forbes, H. Gibbs in charge; 10 head of horses and mares, E. Donnelly and Co. owners, from owners' Borambola station going to Wodonga market by rail; 270 crossbred and merino wethers, Mackay and Copland owners, from owners' Pomingalarna station going to Flemington (Sydney) by rail; 184 head of fat bullocks, E. H. Moulder owner, from Brotherooney going to Young via Forbes, M. Heffernan in charge; 4750 store sheep, from Morocco station going to Swan Hill (Victoria) via Deniliquin; 5000 high-class ewes, from Coree station going to S. G. Staughton, Macarthur (Victoria); 1600 fat ewes, Mitchell owner, from the Bland going to Homebush market by rail; 1500 sheep, Thatcher owner, from Moonbie going to Homebush market, owner in charge; 9000 wethers, T. and A. Learmonth owners, from Pomingalarna station going to Bringagee via Wagga and Narrandera; 450 fat sheep, Mayon owner, from Wombat going to Sandy Creek, owner in charge; 9000 wethers, executors of T. and S. Learmonth owners, from Gammain station going to Groongal via Narrandera, R. H. Blarney in charge; 50 head of bullocks, E. Donnelly and Co. owners, from Borambola station going to Melbourne market by rail; 725 ewes, Wellesley Wolman owner, from owner's Arish station going to Homebush market by rail from Coolamon.

THE WEATHER.

RAINFALL REPORTS FROM THE COUNTRY.

Seasonable rains have fallen during the past few days over nearly the whole of the Eastern division of the colony. With the change to the southward the temperature is more endurable, but it was hoped that a tropical rain would have been recorded, covering the western part of Queensland, and southwards over the central and western parts of New South Wales. So far the old experience of plentiful rains on the coast, and flocks and herds perishing a few hundred miles inland, is being repeated. A very few places west of the mountains have received a drop of the late rainfall. Probably Hillston is the exception, and a report from there yesterday afternoon states that rain was falling heavily, the wind being at the time from the north-west. At Hay, in the W.S.W. of the colony, it was also raining hard last night. Some of the coastal stations report from 2in. to 3in. of a fall in 24 hours. At Sydney the rain last night measured 1in. 17 points, inclusive of Tuesday's wet weather. Our correspondents wire as follows:—

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

BATHURST, WEDNESDAY.

Half an inch of rain fell last night. Rain fell heavily this afternoon, and it is still threatening.

BEGA, WEDNESDAY.

Rain continued to fall in heavy showers during the day. The show has been postponed till to-morrow.

BOWRAL, WEDNESDAY.

Light showers of rain continued all day, with no appearance of clearing.

BRANXTON, WEDNESDAY.

The weather is still unsettled. Slight showers fell throughout the day.

CAMDEN, WEDNESDAY.

Rain has been falling for the last three days. The river is more than bank high. The fall will make matters better for the winter.

CARCOAR, WEDNESDAY.

After several days' threatening, cloudy weather, a light shower fell yesterday afternoon and this afternoon, only sufficient to lay the dust. To-night it is still cloudy.

COOLAMON, WEDNESDAY.

Splendid showers fell last night. Half an inch was registered. More rain is threatening.

CONDOBOLIN, WEDNESDAY.

A heavy fall of rain took place this evening at 7.30, accompanied with thunder and lightning, so that there is a prospect of the drought at last breaking up.

COWRA, WEDNESDAY.

Last night heavy banks of clouds rolled over the sky and a few drops of rain fell. It is still cloudy and promising a much-needed downpour. It is reported that a few miles from town there was a heavy fall of rain through the night.

CROOKWELL, WEDNESDAY.

The weather continues dull and cloudy, and a few slight showers fell to-day. Heavy rain fell last night at Cottawalla, five miles away.

FORBES, WEDNESDAY.

The weather looked very threatening during the whole of the day, but to-night it has cleared. Rain is anxiously looked for.

GOODOOGA, WEDNESDAY.

The weather is oppressive, but there is no sign of rain.

GOULBURN, WEDNESDAY.

Splendid rain fell last night. More rain is threatening.

KIAMA, WEDNESDAY.

Yesterday morning to all appearance the rain was over, but early in the forenoon the sky became overcast, and later on rain returned, which continued to fall in showers throughout the night. During the last five days up to 9 o'clock this morning the quantity of rain registered was 413 points. To-day there has been a very heavy fall of rain. The railway and other public works have been at a standstill for some days owing to the rain.

MACLEAN, WEDNESDAY.

Rain continued yesterday morning, but it cleared during the day. Altogether about 6in. fell. The farmers, generally, are satisfied, and state that there has been sufficient for present requirements. There will be plenty of winter feed for stock.

MITTAGONG, WEDNESDAY.

The weather is still very wet.

MOAMA, WEDNESDAY.

Thirty-four points of rain have fallen, and there is every appearance of a further downpour.

NOWRA, WEDNESDAY.

Rain continues to fall. There is no sign of its clearing up. Heavy rain fell during the night.

TUMUT, WEDNESDAY.

A gentle, steady rain fell last night, registering 23 points. More is threatening.

DEATH OF THE BISHOP OF GOULBURN.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

GOULBURN, WEDNESDAY.

The Right Rev. Mesac Thomas, D.D., Anglican Bishop of Goulburn, died at Bishopthorpe at an early hour this morning. He passed away peacefully in the presence of Mrs. Thomas and a number of friends. It had been known for some time that his case was hopeless. The cause of death was wasting away through the patient being unable to retain food, a growth in the stomach causing an obstruction. The Bishop was 76 years of age. The funeral obsequies will take place on Friday. The Primate and all the bishops have been telegraphed to.

The late Bishop Thomas was born in Cardiganshire. He was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge, taking his B.A. degree in 1840, and M.A. three years later. After holding a curacy in Birmingham he was appointed Vicar of Tuddenham, in Suffolk. In 1845 he was appointed Incumbent of Attleborough, Warwickshire, and in 1851 he was chosen secretary of the Colonial and Continental Church Society, which appointment he held till he was appointed first Bishop of Goulburn in 1863. While acting in London as secretary, Dr. Thomas organised missions to cabmen, omnibus drivers, and others in like circumstances. He was consecrated in Canterbury Cathedral on the 25th January, 1863, and arrived in Goulburn on the 8th April of the same year. The Bishop was most energetic in the work of the Church throughout his diocese, and made periodical visitations to all parts of the diocese. He was a most generous contributor to the funds of the Established Diocesan Church Society, which has accomplished a great deal of work. The chief work of the Bishop's life was the erection of the cathedral. He obtained the greater part of the money for the building fund, and took a never-failing interest in the building. In 1874 he visited England, returning the following year. While at home he obtained a large sum of money for church work. The Bishop leaves a widow but no children. During his illness he was attended by Dr. Handcock Burkitt, of Goulburn, Dr. Scot-Skirving, of Sydney, attending once for a consultation, as also did Dr. M'Master, of Goulburn. Dr. Burkitt pronounced his case hopeless from the first, and told the patient so three months ago. The Bishop first consulted Dr. Burkitt before last Christmas, and told him he had not been feeling well since his last visit to Melbourne 15 months previously.

CURRENT LITERATURE.

"Grisons Incidents in Olden Times" is a brief account of some of the more romantic events connected with the history of the Grisons during the eighteenth century. Although to-day the Grisons is one of the cantons of the Swiss Republic, less than 100 years ago it was a free and independent little State, daring to defy the great power of France, and to enter into complicated political intrigues with the other nations. The beauty of the valleys hidden among the mountains of this canton has attracted the attention of the ubiquitous English tourist, and the Engadine and Davos are now familiar as health resorts. For these reasons the authoress, Beatrix L. Tollemache, has thought it desirable to gather together, out of the works of the Swiss novelist, Herr Sprecher, the passages which describe the past condition of the Grisons people. Herr Sprecher, in two of his historical novels, "Donna Ottavia," and "Die Familie de Sass," has given a vivid picture of the life led by the inhabitants of these secluded valleys some 200 years ago, and it is from these volumes that Mrs. Tollemache mainly draws the material for her little book, which is published by Messrs. Percival and Co.

A question of a most complex character has been taken up by Mr. J. B. Keene, who in "Power and Force" endeavours to explain both spiritual and natural forces, and give their "discreted differences, mutual interrelation, and specific atmospheres." This extract from the title-page will furnish perhaps the clearest idea of Mr. Keene's work, which we fear is entirely above the heads of the general reader. To the student of natural science it will no doubt be of value, as throwing new light on the origin and direction of power. The little treatise is published by Mr. T. Fisher Unwin.

A volume of "Village Sermons" preached by the late Dean Church, at Whatley, has been published by Messrs. M'Millan and Co. The same firm of publishers has also forwarded us a small volume of its elementary classics, containing tales from "Herodotus," with attic dialectical forms, by Mr. G. S. Farnell, M.A. The last issue of the "Family Story-teller" series, published by William Stevens, Limited, contains a novel entitled "No Rent," dealing, as the name denotes, with Irish incidents.

Some stirring incidents of the Indian mutiny are told in the form of a romantic poem by Lieutenant-Colonel Fife-Cookson, an officer who has already published several works on Indian sport and adventure. The narrative relates the doings of a young English officer during this troublous period, and is told in metrical verse, which the author holds to be original. That is to say, he claims to be the inventor of the arrangement of stanza adopted. The publishers are Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, and Co.

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COUNTRY NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

BOWRAL, WEDNESDAY.

A meeting of parishioners was held this evening to protest against the action of the Rev. J. W. Debenham, incumbent of St. Simon and St. Jude's Church of England, in appointing a curate without first consulting the wishes of his parishioners.

BROKEN HILL, WEDNESDAY.

Judge Gibson, who presided over the Court of Quarter Sessions to-day, passed the following sentences:—Victor E. Dumas, for embezzling £10 from his employer, Mr. H. C. Armstrong, chemist, three years in Darlinghurst gaol; W. H. Pope, deserting his wife after living with her for two years, 18 months in Hay gaol; H. C. Biggar, for stealing from the hospital a box £1, 18 months in Silverton gaol; Otto Garnicke, for stabbing Herman Spears, seven years' penal servitude; F. R. Norris, charged with embezzling £7 15s from his employer, Mr. Allan Anderson, was found not guilty, and discharged.

LISMORE, WEDNESDAY.

A magisterial inquiry was held by the coroner to-day regarding the death of James Taylor, who was drowned on Monday. The occurrence happened about 15 miles from Lismore. The coroner recorded a finding of accidental drowning.

MACLEAN, WEDNESDAY.

At the council meeting last night it was decided to have a census of the town taken with the view of increasing the number of aldermen from six to nine. According to this year's assessment the rateable property is estimated at a rental value of £6740, or £700 more than last year.

MITTAGONG, WEDNESDAY.

At the last meeting of the Horticultural Society it was decided to ask Lord Jersey to open the show on the 24th March.

NOWRA, WEDNESDAY.

The municipal councils of the district are co-operating in the extermination of a noxious weed known as sidra, which is of large growth in the district. Cattle eat it, but the weed destroys the natural grasses. Some years ago it began to spread between Kiama and Gerringong, and now hundreds of acres have been rendered useless by it. The weed grows strongly and is difficult to exterminate. In many cases a plough will not reach the roots.

TAMWORTH, WEDNESDAY.

The local land board concluded a three-days' sitting to-day, the chief business being the confirmation of applications.

WAGGA, WEDNESDAY.

This morning the Wagga Inspector of Stock visited the locality where a number of cattle and horses died suddenly recently at North Wagga. The carcasses of all the beasts had been destroyed, so that the inspector did not see them. He states from particulars given him that death was most probably due to anthrax.

THE LEGAL DRAMA.

(*Globe.*)

The present state of decay of the British drama is frequently deplored by critics in monthly magazines, and the despised and contemned condition of the "poor player" is as frequently bewailed round the provinces, in speeches and rectorial addresses, by a notorious martyr to that unhappy state of things. The judicious grieve at this low ebb of a high art, and cast about for remedies. Some think they have found it in an independent theatre, others in the Belgian Shakespeare, others in "no fees," and others again in 5 o'clock teas of rising players with dear duchesses. All these aids towards reviving the stage are, of course, very acceptable; indeed, nothing that tends to the better appreciation of art is unwelcome, and therefore one cannot but acknowledge with sincere pleasure the aid which the law court is now furnishing, in increasing measure, to that desirable end.

We must all rejoice that there has been of recent years an increasing tendency to give to the law case a dramatic shape. Various causes may be assigned for this phenomenon. It may be that there is a laudable desire in the legal mind to rouse the public, and warn them from evil courses, by taking care that they shall be provided with a dramatic, and, therefore, striking case over their toast and coffee in the morning. It may be that gentlemen who are responsible for the conduct of cases have directly in view the helping of the stage, by providing dramatists with "documents" ready to hand, well prepared, and hot. Again, it may occur to some to think that it is the predilection of the bar for theatrical society which has unconsciously brought the wearers of wig and gown into a closer observance of dramatic method. But that would be an error. The existence of such a predilection is a delusion, though a widespread one, as is proved by the fact that when the name of any popular actress, for instance, occurs in court, the Judge at once says, "Who is the lady? I never heard of her;" and the leaders on both sides stare at him in blank helplessness, and there is much rustling of papers and consulting of juniors before the lady can be identified. It is on the whole most likely, therefore, that it is a laudable desire to put the drama on its legs again which is the actuating motive.

In every perfect play you must have a central interest round which all subsidiary interests shall revolve, like so many curates round an heiress, and in the latter-day legal drama there is always one absorbing central interest, or rather a double one, a two-headed Nightingale of an interest, which is none other than the two leading counsel themselves. These two gentlemen being the constructors of the play, it is easy as well as pleasant for them to maintain that interest well in view throughout. Every act, every episode, and every word of the dialogue is so arranged as to fix the attention of the public on the noble figures of the two counsel, each in his turn. The minor interests, such as the clients themselves and the facts of the case, are of course allowed an occasional show; but the cleverness of counsel, the smart repartee of counsel, the deadly duel of counsel, and the final triumph of one of them, constitute the real "motive" of the legal drama, and all the incidents of the trial are carefully arranged in order to throw up this particular interest. This is in accord with the highest canons of dramatic art; in fact, the conduct of a case is a most useful object-lesson to the aspiring dramatist in how to keep his central interest well to the fore.

The object of the drama is the exhibition of human character in action, and a clever analysis and dissection of character is indispensable to a high-class play. Now, this principle is being more and more adopted and followed out in the legal drama, and the modern refined development of the art of cross-examination is the result. Hard things are constantly being said in the papers on this subject, the tone of which would lead one to suppose that there are people who object to what they dub the "license" of counsel. Such people are Philistines, and have no souls for art. Private feeling ought always to be sacrificed for the public good. Moral vivisection of a "subject" in the box is an intellectual feast for the thousands of spectators and readers of the legal drama. The hypercritical may, perhaps, suggest that even a clever analysis of character, whether in a play or a law case, when it has nothing whatever to do with the "action," is inartistic; but there are always people ready to find fault, and a little too much of a good thing is an error on the right side. Irrelevance is, of course, a dramatic sin, but when we consider that the flaying alive of a witness, however little it may have to do with the case, always heightens the central interest, that is the counsel who is performing the operation, one is inclined to excuse it, and even to ask for more.

In the legal drama, as in its prototype, the power of startling incident is thoroughly recognised and made use of. There is the incident of the unexpected witness, or piece of evidence kept carefully in reserve till an opportune moment. This is a most effective *coup de théâtre*, and pays well from a dramatic point of view. There is the incident of the fainting of a client. This is more risky, for the dividing line between the sublime and the ridiculous is, as we all know, very thin, and the other side stand a good chance of pushing the incident just over. Still a clever dramatic counsel may make much of it, if he knows how to choose the right time. A bungler lets his client faint just when she is asked a crucial question, and by so doing lays himself open to the accusation of avoiding awkward questions. The old dramatic hand does not do that; he brings the faint on rather as the cumulative result of a series of insulting and groundless insinuations. It can then be used as a proof of tortured but immoveable integrity. Fainting early and often is another error sometimes fallen into by inexperienced hands; it is needless to point out there must never be more than one faint, and that only at a climax.

Then there is the Brutus and Cassius incident, which is such a favourite nowadays that hardly any respectable trial is without it. If the case threatens to flag a bit, or the evidence appears likely to take too much attention from the central interest, the counsel themselves, they at once do Brutus and Cassius, and so bring the interest back to its proper channel. The quarrel of the two learned friends, when artistically managed, is exciting, and even when you have seen it so many times that the excitement falls off, there is still abundant amusement left in it. Then, when the reconciliation is effected at the intervention of the bench, and the judge expresses his inability to say which has behaved the most nobly in the matter, quite a halo of romance is thrown over the proceedings. And there are other incidents, too numerous to be expatiated upon, such as the row with the bench itself, which is a desperate expedient, only to be tried when the peril is equally desperate. All of them add piquancy to the legal drama.

There are also other features which the law case has borrowed from the dramatic art, such as those appeals to the finer feelings of one's nature so dear to the soul of the great B.P., whose heart is always in the right place, whether seated, as an Irishman might say, in the jury box, in the spectators' gallery, or in the pit of the home of melodrama. The cynical may call it "claptrap," but it is and will always remain true dramatic art nevertheless. The legal drama, too, is never now allowed to be entirely without what is known on the stage as "comic relief," generally extracted, as on the stage too, from persons in a low position in life, who are fair game. So it is abundantly manifest that the legal drama now pays the legitimate stage the sincerest form of flattery; and the latter will have to look to its laurels if it would retain its wonted pre-eminence in the histrionic art.

THE CHINESE FACTION RIOTS.

A GROWING DANGER.

As a consequence of the Chinese riots, and the failure of the attempts to heal the breach between the opposing factions, an uneasy feeling obtains among the leading Chinese residents that unless the police are vigilant serious trouble will result. Serious as the dispute has become, it had but a comparatively trivial origin. It appeared that one Chinaman bought 1s worth of tickets in a lottery bank conducted by another Chinaman. Included in these tickets were winning numbers to the total value of £250, but the lottery owner refused to pay, alleging that the ticket-holder had cheated. This charge, it is said, was absolutely false, inasmuch as the precautions against fraud on the part of ticket-holders were about as perfect as they could be made. The real reason for the refusal to pay, it is assumed, was an insufficiency of funds in the bank. The ticket-holder sought to recover his winnings by the operation of the law, but found himself barred by the fact that the law did not recognise gambling debts. Then the lottery conductor, enraged at having police attention drawn to his gambling den, is said to have demanded money from the ticket-holder as the price of silence in the matter of a serious crime, of which he said the ticket-holder was guilty. This the man refused to pay, and instituted a prosecution for an attempt to blackmail. The charge was heard at the Water Police Court on the 1st instant, and was dismissed on the ground that credence was not to be placed on the witnesses for the prosecution. Interest in the prosecution was shown by the gathering together in the vicinity of the Water Police Court of about 250 Chinamen, and immediately upon the dismissal of the case the crowd in the street, divided into opposing factions, commenced a desperate conflict. Everyone was armed with some weapon, the most common of which was an iron rod, about 2ft. 6in. long, with cane strapping as a handle. Others had knives, knuckle-dusters, stones, and long bamboo rods, some of which were tipped with iron. After considerable difficulty the police quelled the riot, and arrested a dozen of those who took part in it. These were charged with riotous behaviour, and were each fined 40s.

Gwoon Sing, it appears, is the leader of a faction composed of the Chinamen living in the city and around George-street South and Belmore Park. This is known as the Dwoong Gwoon faction. The opposing party, known as the Go Yew faction, is composed mainly of market gardeners resident within the districts of Botany, Waterloo and Cook's River, &c. The Dwoong Gwoon faction has all along, it is claimed, acted on the aggressive, and has on two or three occasions this month planned attacks on the market gardeners. So far these attempts have been checkmated. On the 4th instant, Mr. J. W. Abigail, acting on behalf of the Go Yew party, addressed a letter to the Inspector-General of Police, in which he set forth that he was instructed that Mr. Goldtown was the recognised head and representative of the Chinese residents, hawkers, and market gardeners (numbering over 1500) who resided or carried on business at Waterloo, Botany, Lane Cove, Willoughby, Cook's River, Rockdale, Hurstville, and the district surrounding these localities, and he was further instructed that the Chinese who commenced the riot after the hearing of the case Ah Chew v. Gwoon Sing belonged to what was known in China as the "Doon Gwoon District," and that they were notoriously lawless and ferocious in character, and usually settle their disputes by resorting to personal violence. Both previous and subsequent to the Water Police Court case the Doon Gwoon faction had threatened the assassination of Mr. Goldtown because of his endeavours to suppress gambling among his countrymen, and also because of his action in acting as check interpreter in the police court action. Mr. Abigail further set forth that he was informed that the Chinese of the Doon Gwoon district had formed a secret society in Sydney, and had chosen 300 of their number to harass the supporters of Ah Chew and destroy their property, and that unless police protection was placed at the service of the supporters of Ah Chew the latter would be compelled to resort to measures of self-defence, in which event a riot would ensue and the lives and property of both Chinese and others would be placed in the greatest peril.

With a view to putting an end to the dispute, a number of leading Chinese merchants met and discussed the situation. Going to the root of the matter, the meeting raised a sufficient sum of money to pay Ah Chew a part of the gambling debt due to him, and to pay Gwoon Sing something also to placate him; but, while Ah Chew professed himself well content with the terms of settlement, Gwoon Sing declined the overtures. And, as a reward for their well-meant services, the merchants in question brought upon themselves the enmity of the Gwoon Sing faction. Inquiries made yesterday among the reputable Chinese merchants by one of our representatives drew forth an expression of opinion that a small gang of professional gamblers who form part of the Gwoon Sing faction is mainly responsible for the present disturbance, and that most of the members of the faction are honest, respectable Chinese.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE POLICE COURT.

At the instance of Gwoon Sing, the defendant in the police court case in which the charge of attempted blackmailing led to the riot in Phillip-street, a warrant was issued on Tuesday night for the arrest of Ah Chew, vegetable dealer (the prosecutor in the blackmailing case), Mr. William Goldtown (interpreter in that case), and Tuck On, cook, and Ah King, french-polisher (witnesses), on a charge of having, on the 23rd February last, conspired together to falsely charge and accuse Quin Sing of a crime, with intent to extort property. Quin Sing, is a member of the Doon Gwoon faction, or those Chinese residing in the city, while the defendants are of the Go Yew faction, and reside in the surrounding suburbs. Mr. Goldtown, after being taken to the Lower George-street police station on Tuesday night, was bailed out, himself in £20, with one surety in £20. Ah King and Tuck On gave themselves up yesterday morning. Ah Chew is out of town at present, but has notified his intention of giving himself up shortly.

The cases against the three accused were brought on before Captain A. M. Fisher, S.M., in the Water Police Court yesterday, and on the application of Senior-constable Beadman, and with the concurrence of Mr. J. W. Abigail, who appeared for the defence, a remand until the 24th March was granted. The accused were admitted to bail, each in £20, with one surety in £20.

AN INDIGNATION MEETING.

A large and representative meeting of Chinese residents took place last evening, in the No. 2 Coffee Palace Hotel, Lower George-street. The object of the gathering was to discuss the present state of affairs in connection with the recent police court proceedings. The conveners of the meeting were:—Messrs. Yee Sang Loong, Way Kee, Chow Kum and Co., Sam War and Co., Hing Chong and Co., and William Loo Ching. About 100 Chinamen were present, representing the following factions:—Har Kar, Doon Gwoon, Chang Sing, Hong Shang, and Sam Yip. The Go Yew faction, to which Ah Chew, one of the parties to the recent action belongs, was not represented. Among those who put in an appearance were:—Yee Sang Loong, Way Kee, Yee War, Ah War, Hing Chong, Quong Hing Chong, Quong Tong Tiy, Chong War, Sun On Tiy, Tiy Sang Loong, Kay Kee, Sun Kum Tiy, Moy Ping, Hah Sing Jang, Pow Chee, and Dr. Way Shong.

MR. WM. LOO CHING, sen., representing the Doon Gwoon faction, was the first speaker. He said that they were all met together to discuss several matters in connection with both sides to the dispute. The affair had been settled twice already by their own countrymen, so that it would be needless to say much on either side. The amount of compensation awarded to the aggrieved party had not met with the full approval of Mr. Quin Sing, and consequently the arrangement had lapsed. Mr. Quin Sing had commissioned him to say that he felt he had sustained an injury, and everyone must deplore the fact that an amicable arrangement had not been made. The matter could well have been settled without the creation of so much ill-feeling between the different factions, and Mr. Quin Sing would have been very well satisfied if a civil action had been brought against him, instead of criminal proceedings. He was, however, perfectly satisfied even then to let the matter rest, had it not been for the award made by the "Peace Committee." But as there now appeared to be no possibility of a peaceful settlement, Quin Sing would abide by the result of the action which was now pending. The Doon Gwoon faction did not feel that it had been properly treated in the matter at all. The other side had been given greater privileges than its opponents. They were all very thankful to Mr. Quong Tart for his action in the matter; but they hardly considered he had treated them fairly. He denied the statement that his faction belonged to the Loon-Ye-Tong, and characterised it as cruel in the extreme. That society died out some years ago, and whoever had been guilty of the assertion ought to be brought to book for it. There might be black sheep among them, but the better class of Chinaman was indignant at such a stigma being cast upon him.

MR. POW CHEE, of the Hong Shang faction, thought that the action brought by the Go Yew party against Quin Sing was a very unfair one. It had been twice settled, and should not have been brought under the jurisdiction of the English court at all. The Kai Tong (the society for settling such disputes) had always been just in its decisions, and that should have been sufficient for them all. He thanked Mr. Quong Tart on behalf of Mr. Quin Sing, but he thought his action in the matter injudicious. There were many Chinese residents in Sydney, and he believed that the general opinion amongst them was favourable to Mr. Quin Sing. It was a most cruel accusation to connect their names with the Loon-Ye-Tong. He considered the award made by the Peace Society insufficient under the circumstances. Something more than was offered should be given to a man who had been put to such inconvenience and shame as Quin Sing. The Go Yew party were bound by all the laws of justice to make a fair amend to the aggrieved party, without taking it to the English courts. Such action reflected upon the whole of the Chinese fraternity.

MR. MOW PING, representing the See Yip party, defended Mr. Quong Tart's action in the matter. He had acted in the best interests, as he thought, of the whole of the Chinese residents; but, if he had been wrong, he would, no doubt, apologise to his countrymen.

DR. WAY SHONG, of the Chang Sing faction, said he would have been glad to have seen a better feeling prevail among his countrymen, seeing that the matter in dispute had been settled by the Court, and Mr. Quin Sing had been proved innocent. With regard to the Loon-Ye-Tong Society, they all knew that it had been dissolved years ago. The surplus funds had been disposed of to charitable institutions only. A sum of £400 had been sent to the hospitals in Hongkong, part of which was for the purpose of providing coffins for the steamers plying between the colonies and China, for the reception of the remains of Chinamen who might die on the voyage out or home. He suggested that an effort should be made to trace the originators of the fiction with regard to this society.

MR. QUIN SING, one of the parties to the action now pending, said he was quite willing to abide by the decision of the Court, and he hoped his friends would adopt a similar attitude.

The meeting then terminated, it being unanimously decided to take immediate steps to trace the origin of the Loon-Ye-Tong allegations.

THE COLLECTION OF THE BORDER DUTIES.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

In an interview at Ballarat with Mr. Rounsevelle, a member of the South Australian Government, he said he did not know that he could materially supplement what was published yesterday regarding the New South Wales Customs regulations and the Barrier trade. The statements were very fair and accurate. The new system of charging ad valorem duties as adopted by New South Wales, which had only been applied to South Australian trade with the Barrier, was of an exceptional and unexampled character, and would in some cases more than double the cost to the consumer. They in South Australia naturally expected to pay duty on the borders, as was paid by New South Wales importers, whether the bulk was or was not broken; but the new tariff was simply intended to be of a prohibitive character so far as they were concerned. They were now compelled to pay duty at the Barrier not alone on the value of the goods at the port of shipment, but also on the cost of shipment on the duty chargeable at South Australian ports, and on the charges and cost incurred in England, carriage, &c. The duty was, in reality, a charge on the value of the goods at Broken Hill, with the duty at Adelaide added, notwithstanding that the latter had been remitted under the drawbacks regulations. The result would be disastrous to the Broken Hill people who would have to pay doubly, for much as the South Australian Government would dislike anything in the nature of reprisal they would be compelled to protect as far as possible the established trade of their own merchants, and may possibly find it necessary to levy a heavy tax on all New South Wales goods passing through South Australian territory. This would mean a war of tariffs, which would not be beneficial to any of the colonies, and would be deplorable. Mr. See had intimated that the new tariff was not to be exclusively applied, but would be generally enforced, and if that were so it would be a serious matter to Victoria, which extensively supplied New South Wales. He did not think the position taken up by the New South Wales Customs at all wise or defensible, and in his opinion it would not be sustained.

A PARSEE WEDDING.

(*Cassell's Family Magazine*).

There must have been 700 or 800 guests assembled before the bridal parties made their appearance. In the centre of the hall was a small open space, round which chairs had been placed. Several venerable-looking Dasturs or priests, dressed in white, stood in readiness to take part in the ceremony, and on tables close beside them were trays of dry rice and cocoanuts, emblematic of plenty. Several brass trays holding rice, cocoanuts, and *pân soparis* or spice packets, were brought in on the shoulders of servants. Suddenly, to the sounds of the "Europe" band, the bride's party and the bridegroom's entered from opposite sides of the hall simultaneously. Then there was such a crushing and pressing to the barred windows of the marriage hall to catch a glimpse of the two parties! Each party was so surrounded by friends that it was hardly possible to see much of the two most important persons. Both parties approached the space in the middle of the hall across which a white sheet was held, the bride and bridegroom taking their seats on opposite sides so that they could not see each other. Crowds of friends trooped in, till the hall was completely full. Thirteen or fourteen hundred guests were expected, and by this time all had probably arrived.

The priests began to chant the marriage service in the ancient *Zend* language, which is not "understanded of the people." The bride and bridegroom were each furnished with a handful of rice, and it is a matter of great excitement to see which first throws this rice at the other, when the sheet which has been held up between them is suddenly withdrawn. That one whose rice first touches the other is supposed to possess the warmer affection for the other. After the sheet was withdrawn the now married couple sat side by side, while the Dasturs, sometimes together and sometimes separately, addressed a long oration to them, still in Zend, on their duties to each other and the world at large. All the time that the oration was going on the priests held rice in their hands, and threw several grains at a time over the young couple, apparently enforcing each command with a shower of rice. While the exhortation was going on the guests got up and walked about and talked, and no further heed was paid to the priests or what they said. Garlands made of jessamine buds interspersed with roses were then hung round the necks of the bride and bridegroom, till each looked as if they were wearing boas of flowers. Then little dabs of vermilion were placed on the foreheads of the happy pair and their near relations, as an outward and visible sign of joy and gladness at the union.

The feast was the next feature of the entertainment, in which everyone took the keenest interest. Long tables, with forms on each side, were placed in a building opening on to the garden. Fresh banana leaves were put at intervals on the table before the guests, each leaf measuring about 2ft. by 1ft. They looked fresh and nice, and made capital plates. One banana leaf serves for all the courses, which are brought round by attendants. Curries of all sorts, rice chutnees, fresh and dried fruits, sweets and cakes were placed by the servers on each guest's leaf till the pretty green plate was dotted over with all sorts of good things, which were apparently enjoyed indiscriminately by the guest. Thus a mouthful of curry was followed by sweets and cakes, by chutnees, all eaten in the daintiest way with the fingers, spoons and forks not appearing at all. At the end of the meal attendants brought round a bowl and brass jar, and poured water over the fingers of each guest. Is it from the Parsees we have borrowed the custom of throwing rice at a wedding? With them it means, "May prosperity and plenty always be with you." Is there any such meaning in the comparatively modern custom that has sprung up amongst us?

A painstaking student of the "Almanach de Gotha" has ascertained that, omitting the Pope, the only European Sovereigns older than her Majesty the Queen are Adolf of Schaumburg-Lippe, who was born in 1817, and Christian IX. of Denmark, Ernest II. of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, and Carl Alexander of Saxe-Weimar, all three born in 1818. In one regard, however, our Queen takes seniority over these, for it appears that she has reigned longer than any monarch now living.

THE NEW PRUSSIAN EDUCATION BILL.

(*Spectator.*)

Probably no praise that could be given to the German Emperor would be more distasteful than to say that he was like Prince Bismarck. Yet in one feature of his character he certainly does bear a strong resemblance to the great Chancellor. When he wants a thing, he does not mind paying the price. Prince Bismarck would make a friend of his worst enemy, with a serene indifference to all that they had said of one another, if he thought that he and his enemy had any common purpose which could be better served by their co-operation than by their hostility. His judgments of men, so far as making use of them went, were never final. The adversary of to-day was always the possible ally of to-morrow. The German Emperor is very much of the same mind. Men exist to be used, and when they are useful he is willing to use them, no matter of how recent growth their usefulness may be. There is neither false pride nor exaggerated sensitiveness about William II. He goes straight to his object, although to gain it he may have to employ the very instruments he has before now rejected. The road to Canossa, for example, has no more charms for the German Emperor than it had for Prince Bismarck. But both have trodden it with equal resolution. The Kulturkampf, it is true, was not the work of William II. For him it was merely a discredited legacy from his grandfather, whereas Prince Bismarck had the whole responsibility of all that was done. Still, the German Emperor is not a man to think lightly of what has been done by any Prussian Sovereign; nor can it be altogether pleasant to him to admit that the last great blunder of the Hohenzollerns is not a quarter of a century old. But when it is necessary for his purpose, he can be as bold in undoing as in doing. He can fling away the last fragment of a policy he has abandoned without a shadow of hesitation.

The remarkable Education Bill which has just been introduced in the Lower House of the Prussian Legislature is the latest instance of this characteristic. There are two things very near the Emperor's heart,—the constitution of a working Parliamentary majority, and the diffusion of religious education. One is necessary for the carrying on of the Government, the other for the safety of the country. Small as may be the homage paid to Parliaments in a country like Prussia, it is inconvenient for the Cabinet to be continually outvoted; and in the Emperor's opinion, at all events, the banishment of religion from the school means the establishment of Socialism as the popular creed. For both these ends it is indispensable that he should come to terms with the Centre. Its support can give him what he wants in both directions. The Prussian Catholics command an amount of voting strength which, added to the resources on which a Government actually in power can always count, would enable the Cabinet to meet Parliament with confidence; and if the religious element in elementary schools is to be strengthened, it can only be by the hearty co-operation of all, of whatsoever creed they may be, who care for religious teaching. So far as the Catholics are concerned, this co-operation is only to be had on their own terms, and what these terms are has long been well known. Herr Windthorst always maintained, in the closing years of his life, that there was one more victory for the Centre to win before they could put off their armour. They must obtain full legal recognition of the principle of denominational schools. The new bill accords this recognition in the most complete and decisive fashion. It puts forward denominational teaching as the first object to be kept in view in founding schools. Every new elementary school will be organised on a denominational basis, and though existing schools not on that basis will not be suppressed, they will be viewed with distinct disfavour by the Government, and subjected to a regulation which in many cases will very soon invest them with a denominational character. Wherever there are 60 children of a denomination different from that of the rest of the scholars, a separate school must be set up for their use. Wherever there are 30 such children, the erection of a separate school may be ordered if the Government think fit. It is said that, as it is, only about 200,000 children out of some four and a half millions are in undenominational schools; so that it will not take long to provide for this small minority on the lines of the new law. The inconvenience caused by another regulation will go some way to bringing about this result. If there be more than 15 children of various denominations in any one school, the school authorities will be required, as far as possible, to give them separate religious instruction in their several creeds.

So far, the law has been dealing with religions recognised by the State. But even the Emperor cannot shut his eyes to the melancholy fact that there are in Prussia some eccentric faiths of which the State knows, and wishes to know, nothing. Ordinarily speaking, parents belonging to any of these religions must be content to do as their neighbours do, and have their children taught one of the recognised religions. A Positivist or a Swedenborgian, for example, may look down the list of creeds which are not his, and choose the one which he thinks least remote from his own. If he dislikes this course, he may apply to the President of the province for leave to withdraw his child from the religious lesson given in the school to which he goes. But the President need not give him this leave—and what a Prussian official need not do he is not, we imagine, specially likely to do—unless two conditions are satisfied. The formal demand must be made by the authorities of the sect to which the parent belongs, and they must bring proof that the child will receive religious instruction out of school from a competent teacher of their own sect. But how about parents who belong, and glory in belonging, to no sect, who believe in no religion, and think no religious teachers competent? It is clear that the provisions which deal with sects not recognised by the State have no application to these theological pariahs, and apparently there are no other provisions which are more comprehensive. Indeed, the *Times'* Berlin correspondent says plainly; "The object of the bill is to prevent any Prussian child from being brought up as an atheist." The sole liberty that will be enjoyed by an atheistical parent will be that of choosing between one form of theism and another. He may choose what his child shall be taught to believe, but he must not have him taught to believe nothing. That is a state of things which, in his own special dominions, the Emperor will not tolerate. In Germany he may be forced to put up with it, but in Prussia he can, he thinks, have his own way.

It will be interesting to see how these last clauses are received by the Centre. Many of them no doubt will in their hearts think it a very good thing that children should be withdrawn from infidel teaching and brought up in some religion, even though that religion be not the right one. But there is another side to the question. The clauses in question are altogether inconsistent with the principle on which denominational education is founded. Unless all religions be equally true—which is a position to be abhorred of all faithful Catholics—the only reason why the State should recognise a multitude of them as having an equal claim to be taught in elementary schools, is the necessity of doing justice to parents. Catholics, Protestants, Jews, all wish their children to be brought up in their own faith, and as they are all alike subjects of the Prussian State it is the business of the State to see that this wish is carried out. But the Freethinking parent has an equally distinct wish as to the religious bringing up of his child, and he is equally a Prussian subject. Why, then, should his wish be disregarded, when so much pains is taken to carry out that of his Catholic, Protestant, or Jewish fellow subject? The only answer to this inquiry is, that the Prussian Government thinks it good for a child to be brought up a Catholic, or a Protestant, or a Jew, and does not think it good for a child to be brought up a Freethinker. But this is a very dangerous doctrine for a Catholic to accept. Again and again in Europe, in the course of the last 350 years, there have been parties and Governments which have thought it good for a child to be brought up a Protestant, and bad for it to be brought up a Catholic. What security is there that in some possible future the dominant party in Prussia may not think it good for a child to be brought up a Freethinker? If the Prussian Catholics accept the theory of the Government now, when it happens to do them no harm, they may have cause to repent it hereafter, when the tables are turned and the same theory is reproduced with new applications.

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THE DOMESTICITY OF BEARS.

(*London Daily Telegraph.*)

Is a bear a domestic animal? The fabulists and the storytellers have long since striven to make us believe that Bruin can become quite a household pet, and unnumbered children have had instilled into them in the nursery implicit faith in the domesticity of the Good-natured Bear and of the celebrated Three Bears who kept house together, and who were so very particular about their beds, their chairs, and their porridge. The uncompromising Buffon, however, pronounces the lumbering plantigrade to be not only a savage but a solitary brute, and declares that he instinctively flies from human society; and this sweeping assertion has been applied without much discrimination to all the Ursidæ, brown, Syrian, honey black, cinnamon, grizzly, yellow, sun sloth, jungle, lipped, washing, and polar bears. In all probability there are bears and bears, just as there are humans and humans, and there is obviously as vast a difference between the ursus ferox, or grizzly bear, of the Rocky Mountains, and the accomplished bear in "She Stoops to Conquer," which never danced but to the genteelest of tunes—say, "Water parted," or the minuet in "Ariadne"—as there is between a Berber and a bishop. The legal status of the bear has not yet been precisely ascertained, and it is a pity that Bruin himself could not have been called as a witness to testify to his capacity for domestication in the special case of Warr v. Touech and another, which came on for hearing at the High Court of Justice, before Mr. Justice Hawkins and Mr. Justice Wills, on the 25th January. The case was stated by the magistrates of Harrogate in a prosecution by the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, whose officers had charged the defendants with cruelty to a bear. The question to decide was whether a bear was a domestic animal, and the magisterial Bench at the pleasant Yorkshire inland watering-place decided to the contrary. The defendants, who were the respondents in the case remitted to the Court above, had left the district after the matter had been adjudicated upon, and had not been served with notice of the appeal, although every possible step had been taken to find them.

Under these circumstances the learned counsel for the appellants suggested that the Court might allow him to go on with the appeal without the presence of the persons who were technically called the respondents. Although it is difficult to discern how a party to a suit can be assumed to respond when nothing has been said to him, Mr. Justice Hawkins seemed slightly embarrassed by the absence of "Touech and another." Did counsel, asked his Lordship, mean to contend that a bear was a domestic animal? The representative of the Harrogate magistrates replied in the affirmative, adding that it was most important that the matter in dispute should be settled, seeing that the bear was still being led about the country. It had last been seen at Harrogate, and the learned gentleman thought that in this instance personal service of the appeal might be dispensed with, and notice given to the defendants through the medium of advertisements in the newspapers. But suppose "Touech and another" do not read the newspapers? There is unfortunately no law which compels everybody to peruse either a daily, an evening, or a weekly journal; and, besides, it is more than probable that the defendant Touech and his anonymous friend are wholly unacquainted with the English language. The name Touech has a Pyrenean sound, and it is not improbable that "Touech and another" came out of the bear region of the Basque country. The people of that interesting province declare that their language is the most ancient in the world, and that, but for the confusion of tongues which took place at the building of Babel, all mankind would speak Basque as naturally as a horse neighs or a dog barks. The name of Touech seems not altogether out of harmony with the dialect in which a stick is called a "makhil," a cross a "khurutee," a body a "gorputs," and a shadow an "itzal"; still, if Touech and his associates do not come from the land of the Fueros, they are in all likelihood illiterate foreigners endowed with just enough mother-wit to prompt them to show a clean pair of heels to the emissaries of the law. They prudently decamped from Harrogate immediately after a decision had been given in their favour, and how, it may be asked, should they be aware of the legal subtlety which enabled a bench of magistrates to appeal against a judgment which they themselves had rendered? They manage these things differently in France, and the judges of a French "parquet" would not have scrupled to keep Touech and his mysterious companion safely in gaol without bail or mainprise, until the point at issue had been decided by a superior Court. There were obviously no means of securing the attendance of the bear-leaders by locking them up until the appeal was heard, and even then their legal advisers might have counselled them to plead *autrefois acquit*; since it is a maxim in English criminal law that a man is not to be placed twice in peril for an offence of which he has been already absolved. In any case the appellants had a right to be heard, but to the learned Judges at the New Law Courts the insurmountable stumbling-block to the prosecution of the appeal was the absence of the respondents, and especially of the bear. "You must wait," said Mr. Justice Hawkins, "until this bear is performing again, or else you must get another bear." Counsel for the appellants was fain to admit that the production of a substituted Bruin would be, perhaps, the easiest way of settling the question; but even the adoption of this course was not unattended with difficulty, since, as Mr. Justice Hawkins very sagely observed, great care must be taken in the selection of the vicarious bear, seeing that a good deal might turn on the degree of education possessed by the animal. Ultimately the appeal was struck out, and so, for the present, ended a piece of abortive litigation which does not appear to have served any more practical purpose than that of exciting a good deal of laughter in court, while on the other hand it will cost the county ratepayers of York a considerable sum of money.

As regards the disappearance of the original plantigrade, that is by *no means* an extraordinary circumstance. It is often extremely difficult to ascertain the whereabouts of a bear or how to get at him, and all readers of American tales of backwoods life will call to mind the story of the celebrated grizzly who so devastated a particular district in the Far West that the inhabitants of a newly-formed settlement where the grizzly had drunk up all the milk, eaten all the honey, ring-barked all the trees, and carried off several babies, sent to a town at a considerable distance in order to obtain the services of a trapper and his dog, both renowned for their skilfulness and valour in hunting down and "chawing up" dangerous bears. The trapper, with his canine ally, duly arrived at the settlement, and set forth in pursuit of the grizzly; but somehow or another the hunter and his four-legged aide-de-camp got separated. After some hours' fruitless search the hunter met an agricultural person who was quietly hoeing potatoes; he eagerly asked whether he had seen a dog or a bear in the immediate neighbourhood. The agricultural replied, "Why, cert'nly, a dog and a bar, not 10 minutes ago, going like steam. The dog went in front." Here, then, was a case of a hunter who sought for a bear, but who was baffled by the bear seeking for the hunter. The curious fact that the bear is a hibernating animal, and will pass the entire winter in a state of lethargy without food, and yet not lose any of the fat which it has acquired during the autumn, may be among the causes why it is more easily tamed than other wild animals, which are continually roaring for butcher's meat. In Russia and in the East the bear is often seen in a state of domestication as a very amusing and gentle creature, associating freely with children, and earning by its uniformly gentle conduct the privilege of unrestricted liberty. It has been our shame as a nation that for full three centuries we barbarously maltreated the bear, under the pretext of sport. In Shakespeare's plays there are repeated allusions to bear-baiting, and the highborn dames of the seventeenth century delighted quite as much as did the populace in beholding the brutal pastime of whipping the blind bear; while it is very certain that the charitable Alleyn, the pious founder of Dulwich College, owed his wealth much less to his success as a theatrical manager than to the fact that he had been the keeper of the Royal Bear Garden. The modern dancing bear, now very seldom met with, has usually been trained in foreign parts, and exhibited by nomads from the South of France or the North of Spain. It is generally understood that no great cruelty is used in teaching the animals their uncouth antics; still it would be most desirable to have the opinion of the Judges of the land on the subject, and for that reason it is to be regretted that the appeal of the magistrates of Harrogate against "Touech and Another", came to nought.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

Should the weather prove favourable, a large gathering of sportsmen may be expected at Warwick Farm to-day, for the programme to be played out during the afternoon is brimful of interest. Advices from Liverpool state that there has comparatively little rain fallen in that neighbourhood, and that the course is in good order, while all arrangements for the requirements of a large attendance have been anticipated. Visitors will be accommodated with special trains starting from Redfern at 12 noon, 12.25, and 12.40 p.m., in addition to which the ordinary service to Liverpool will be available. The sport opens with the Hurdle Race, and, on late running, Red Heart, Cascade, and Lord Ripon may have the settlement of the question between them. The Farm Stakes will be likely to prove a great puzzle to those in search of a winner, but Idalia, The Snark, and Dutch Hoe will be likely to divide the honours. The leading event of the day—the Warwick Farm Handicap—promises to attract a more than serviceable field to the post, and a fine race is almost certain to be witnessed. It is next to impossible to give anything like a definite opinion as to the result, but figures have a deal to say for St. Blaise, Jack, Blacklock, and Sam Weller. The situations in the Selling Race may be filled by Millie, Bonnette, and Dander, while Komisch, Hugo, and Belle Dame bid fair to fight out the battle for the Welter Handicap. The programme is set forth in another part of this issue.

The unsettled state of the weather is responsible for the postponement of the weekly trotting and race meeting, under the management of the Sydney Driving Park Club, until Wednesday next, the 23rd instant. Consequent on the postponement, the programme already issued for the 23rd instant will be held over until the 30th instant, and the date for closing entries extended to the 25th instant.

The racehorse Gatling, the property of Mr. W. Gannon, died on Tuesday afternoon at Raynor's stables, Randwick. It appears that the horse showed symptoms of illness on Sunday last, and was placed under the care of Mr. Day, V.S., under whose treatment he seemed to improve; but on Tuesday he became worse, and died about 3 p.m., the cause of death being rupture of the intestines. Gatling, who was by Nordenfeldt from Petroleuse (imp.), by Oxford from Hartshorn, by Mountain Deer, &c., was bred at the Sylvia Park Stud, New Zealand, and was purchased as a yearling for 260 guineas, but when two years old Mr. Gannon gave 2000 guineas for the chestnut. Like many other high-priced horses, he has proved a most disappointing customer, and those who pinned their faith to him had reason to regret it, for his best performances under silk were in the A.J.C. First Foal Stakes, at the autumn meeting, when he finished second to Titan; second to Gibraltar in the Derby and Second Foal Stakes, third to The Admiral and Magic Circle in the V.R.C. Derby, and third in the V.R.C. Maiden Stakes. His last appearance on the turf was at the Warwick Farm meeting last month, when, on the strength of an excellent trial, he started first favourite for the principal handicap, but, after showing prominently until about three furlongs from home, he was beaten out of a place.

The following scratchings in connection with the A.J.C. Autumn Meeting were posted at the office of the club yesterday:—Doncaster Handicap: Annesley. Champagne Stakes: The Lost Gem and Fidelity. First Biennial Stakes: Bienvenue. St. Leger: Oakleaf.

Moama, Bland, Yetman, Oberon, and Coolac race meetings were granted registration by the A.J.C. yesterday.

Eucalyptus was yesterday struck out of the Farm Stakes, and Reflection out of the Welter Handicap in connection with the Warwick Farm March Meeting.

Affiance was yesterday withdrawn from all Rosehill autumn engagements.

The half-dozen events on the card for the Canterbury Park pony and galloway races, to be held on the 22nd instant, attracted 111 nominations yesterday, of which the Welter Handicap was responsible for 14; Pony Handicap, 25; Miniature Handicap, 16; Park Handicap, 22; Selling Race, 9; and Galloway Handicap, 25. The lists are set forth elsewhere in this issue.

In this issue will be found the full programme for the A.J.C. Autumn Meeting, and owners and trainers should not forget that the general entry closes with the secretary, Mr. T. S. Clibborn, at 4 p.m. on Monday, the 4th April.

The Moorefield management intend to hold their postponed March meeting to-morrow.

A meeting of members of the Australasian Bookmakers' Association was held on Monday afternoon at Melbourne (says the *Argus*), when the matter of the unpleasantness that arose at the recent V. R. C. meeting, owing to the dilatoriness of the officials in posting the Junior Handicap scratchings, was discussed at some length. It will be remembered that the numbers of Camoola, Autonomy, and Arquebus were allowed to remain on the board until close on 10 minutes before the announced time of starting the race, though all three had been scratched some time previously. The bookmakers complained that, owing to this carelessness they had been induced to lay a false price against Birinji, the ultimate winner. The meeting arrived at a resolution to the effect that the authorities of the V. R. C. and other clubs should be asked to allow a representative of the association in the weighing enclosure at all meetings to watch the interests of the members of the ring in the direction of ascertaining, at the earliest possible moment, information as to scratchings, acceptances, and the names of the riders. Such information, it was asserted, is not posted by the race officials with promptness.

At a meeting of the committee of the Junee Racing Club last week, the president, Mr. John Egan, being in the chair, a letter was read from Mr. E. C. Curry's solicitor, demanding the sum of £200 as compensation for the loss of his client's horse, Star, at the first day's races of the club's annual reunion in February last. The horse was killed owing to his colliding with a cow, which got on the running track during a race. The committee decided not to take any notice of the communication. The secretary, Mr. J. C. Humphreys, presented a statement which showed that the profits of the annual races amounted to about £150. The club had spent £420 in improving the ground during the past 12 months. Tenders were accepted for further alterations to the buildings. Mr. Robert Penfold was elected to fill a vacancy on the committee.

CANTERBURY PARK PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

TUESDAY, MARCH 22.

Appended are the entries received yesterday for the events to be decided at the above meeting on Tuesday next:—

WELTER HANDICAP (14.2), 5 furlongs.—Entre Nous, Miss Lincoln, Ivy, Content, Ablard, Dorey, Trieste, Cushla, Mavourneen, Too Soon, Nepean, Amusement, Herald, Gulnare.

PONY HANDICAP (14.0), 5 furlongs.—Lily, Nancy, Jenny, Satanella, Rosa, Tom Thumb, Comewell, Agility, Guy Fawkes, Hebe, Paddy, The Dean, Sardis, Whisper Low, Olive May, Dulcie, Calm, Mulgrave, Chance, Dona, Lottie, Geebung, Minnie, Walhena, Vertice.

MINIATURE HANDICAP (13.3), 4 furlongs.—Lola, Tim, Posey, Hebe, Merveille, Black Swan, Prattler, Midgie, Caress, Rose, Essie, Brave, Rock Lily, Jessie I., Bet, Brightest.

PARK HANDICAP (14.1), 5 furlongs.—Silence II., Trojan, Duchess, Fair Nell, Comewell, Pearl, Tenderfoot, Prospect, Whisper Low, Gaytime, Martha G., Ruby II., Pretender, Miss Constance, Gabbroo, Mudgee, Miss Osman, Miss Lily, Forest Maid, Guanaco, Fleetwing, Idle Girl.

SELLING RACE, 4 furlongs.—Silver Stream (nil), Mavourneen (nil), Blunderbuss (£10), Cocoon (nil), The Field (nil), The Cripple (nil), Minstrel Boy (nil), Little Demon (nil), Carlovitch (nil).

GALLOWAY HANDICAP (14.2), about 6 furlongs.—Entre Nous, Miss Lincoln, Lady Test, If Not, Fair Nell, Content, Little Sister, Abiaid, Virta (late Adelaide), Dorey, Little Clare, Kiora, Cricket, Swan, Too Soon, Forget-me-Not, Johnnie, Felspar, Waitress, Signess, Poor Dan, Herald, Gulnare, Sunlight, Little Julian.

WARWICK FARM RACING CLUB.

The following is the programme for the opening of the March reunion to-day:—

HURDLE RACE, 2 miles.—Cascade, 12st; Lord Ripon, 10st 7lb; Redheart, 10st; Ayrshire, 9st 11lb; General Gordon, 9st 9lb; Bonnie Lad, 9st 7lb; Simon, 9st 7lb; Double Creek, 9st 5lb; First Light, 9st 5lb; Recluse, 9st 5lb; Castaway, 9st 5lb; Tatts, 9st; Alarm Bell, 9st.

FARM STAKES, 6 furlongs.—Result, 9st; Duke of Kent, 8st 9lb; Pro-Consul, 8st 7lb; Lord Bertie, 8st 5lb; Cornet, 8st 3lb; Madeira, 8st; Eldorado, 8st; Millie, 7st 11lb; Linnet, 7st 11lb; Isaac, 7st 9lb; Dutch Hoe, 7st 9lb; Cavalier, 7st 9lb; Lady Mildred, 7st 7lb; Idalia, 7st 7lb; Assayer, 7st 7lb; Lord Jersey, 7st 5lb; The Snark, 7st 5lb; Brightlight, 7st 3lb; Meteorite, 7st 3lb; Caprice, 7st 3lb; Twenty Winks, 7st; St. Elmo, 7st; Myles Standish, 7st; Cecil, 6st 9lb; Pippin, 6st 9lb; Cumino, 6st 7lb; Little Bess, 6st 7lb; Mariner, 6st 7lb.

WARWICK FARM HANDICAP, 1 mile.—Oxenham, 9st 7lb; Tridentine, 9st 5lb; The Bence, 9st 3lb; St. Blaise, 9st; Lustre, 8st 9lb; Marvelette, 8st 7lb; Sir Anthony, 8st 7lb; Neta, 8st 4lb; Messenger, 8st 4lb; Disturber, 8st 2lb; Jack, 8st 2lb; Mitre, 8st; Killaloe, 7st 11lb; Vain Hope, 7st 11lb; Rosette, 7st 9lb; Moscow, 7st 9lb; Blacklock, 7st 7lb; Cremorne, 7st 7lb; The Pet Girl, 7st 7lb; Sam Weller, 7st 4lb; Komisch, 7st 4lb; Hugo, 7st 2lb; Whitefoot, 7st 2lb; Brown Bess, 7st; Zelendia, 7st; Studbook, 6st 11lb; Good Night, 6st 9lb; Adelaide, 6st 7lb; Croydon, 6st 7lb; Pippin, 6st.

SELLING RACE, 6 furlongs.—Madeira (£25), 7st 4lb; Re (£25), 7st 4lb; Linnet (nil), 6st 11lb; Dander (nil), 6st 11lb; Marabo (nil), 6st 11lb; Bonnette (nil), 6st 5lb; Millie (nil), 6st 5lb.

WELTER HANDICAP, 1¼ mile.—Moscow, 10st 9lb; Hugo, 10st 5lb; Komisch, 10st 3lb; Clontarf, 10st; Sulphur, 10st; Gildus, 9st 9lb; Belle Dame, 9st 7lb; Sweetbit, 9st 5lb; Good Night, 9st 3lb; Pro-Consul, 9st 3lb; Lord Bertie, 9st; Glendon, 8st 9lb; Risito, 8st 7lb; Violin, 8st 4lb; Caprice, 8st 2lb; Sara, 8st.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

THE V.A.T.C. MEETING.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The following are the latest scratchings for the V.A.T.C. meeting:—Steeplechase: Egyptian. South Yarra Handicap: The Jester. Federal Stakes: Froude, Donovan, Marguerite.

SANDOWN PARK RACES.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The Sandown Park races took place to-day. The results are:—

OPEN STEEPLECHASE, about 2 miles and a furlong.—Mr. H. G. Stanmore's The Duke, 10st 7lb (Neylon), 1.

SANDOWN PARK HANDICAP, 1 mile.—Mr. A. A. Apcar's Reprisal, 9st (A. Campbell), 1. Time, 1 minute 45 seconds.

MAUDE RACES.

WAGGA, WEDNESDAY.

The following are the weights for the principal events at the races on the Maude on the 24th March:—

MAUDE HANDICAP, 1¼ mile.—Trooper, 8st 7lb; Bean, Maude, White Rose, 7st 12lb; Mercury, 7st 10lb; Allhands, 7st 7lb; Bantam, 7st 5lb; Blueskin, 7st.

HURDLE RACE, 2 miles.—Trooper, 11st; Topsail, 10st; Snip, Tim, 8st 10lb; Allhands, 9st 7lb; Bantam, White Rose, 9st.

TAMWORTH LAWN TENNIS CLUB.

TAMWORTH, WEDNESDAY.

At the annual meeting of members of the Tamworth Lawn Tennis Club last night, the report and balance-sheet were considered very satisfactory. The club numbers over 70 members, and has a credit at the bank. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—President, Mr. W. F. Robey; vice-president, Mr. G. H. C. M'Dowell; treasurer, Mr. W. Blythe; hon. secretary, Mr. J. E. Daly. The tournament for the captaincy commences shortly.

LORD SHEFFIELD'S TEAM V. VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The following players have been selected to represent Victoria to-morrow in the match against Lord Sheffield's team:—Bruce, Bowman, Houston, Leitcher, M'Leod, Ross, Tarrant, Trott, Trumble, Walters, and Worrall.

CYCLING.

The following entries have been received for the races in connection with the opening run of the Cyclists' Union of New South Wales, to take place at Botany on Saturday:—

Three Miles Mixed Bicycle Handicap.—G. Corkhill, H. Hartley, E. Marshall, A. F. Grace, E. A. Vider, C. A. Marshall, F. E. Weeden, R. Marshall, G. Blackmore, E. M'Donald, R. A. Quodling, A. E. Pearson, M. G. Phelan, W. J. Hodgkinson, W. H. Thomas, W. T. R. Fowler.

100 Yards Footrace.—R. A. Quodling, W. S. Grey, F. Bathgen, W. T. Fowler, A. C. Goodwin, A. F. Grace, T. H. Barkell, J. Alderson, J. Hodges, D. Hogan, F. G. Henslow, C. Fraser, P. E. Wootten, G. Blackmore, A. J. Jones, E. Bowen.

The committee of the Sydney Bicycle Club met at Millthorpe's Hotel on Tuesday evening, when there were present Messrs. J. Wilkes (chairman), H. A. Fry, S. J. Wyatt, A. C. Goodwin, D. M. Wilkes, G. Pearson, R. Harvey, and James Heighway, hon. secretary. A quantity of correspondence was received, including a letter from Lord Jersey accepting the position of patron. Messrs. E. A. Gabriel, L. L. Oswald, and E. Millikin were elected members of the club. It was decided to send two teams to compete in a tug-of-war at the Cyclists' Union opening run at Botany on Saturday. Squad-riding regulations were adopted and ordered to be distributed. Notices were received from Messrs. R. Quodling and R. Marshall intimating their intention of competing in the 100-mile road record contest. It was ordered that capitation fees be paid on 81 members.

FOOTBALL.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Wallaroo Club was held last night, at the Oxford Hotel, Mr. W. M. M. Arnold was in the chair. There were about 50 members present. The annual report stated that the club was to be congratulated on its success last season, and the position it secured. The first fifteen played 14 matches, of which 9 were won, 3 lost, and 2 drawn. During May, matches were played and won at Bathurst and Orange. The club was represented in intercolonial matches by Messrs. E. M. Bowman, H. D. L. Woods, W. Lyons, J. Davie, and C. M'Murdo. The ballot for honour caps had resulted in them being awarded to Messrs. W. Lyons, E. M. Bowman, and E. A. Roberts. Thanks were due to the King's School for valuable assistance, and it should be noted that most of the new blood came from the school. The second fifteen was not as successful as could be wished. The balance-sheet showed a satisfactory credit. The report and balance-sheet were adopted. The caps of honour as mentioned in the report were then presented. The following office-bearers were elected:—President, Mr. R. A. Arnold; vice-presidents, Rev. Dr. Harris, Messrs. W. M. M. Arnold, W. R. F. Burkitt, C. G. Wade, and G. Graham; captain, Mr. W. Lyons; vice-captain, Mr. F. A. Roberts; hon. secretary, Mr. J. Panton; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. W. Gildea; delegates to the union, Messrs. W. Lyons and F. A. Bayliss; assistant secretary, Mr. L. Graham; general committee, Messrs. W. Lyons, C. M'Murdo, and H. D. L. Woods. The meeting then adjourned.

LAWN TENNIS.

A meeting of delegates of the New South Wales Lawn Tennis Association was held in the Exchange Hotel last evening. The Hon. H. E. Kater, M.L.C., was in the chair. In reference to choosing of intercolonial teams, the hon. secretary (Mr. A. H. Griffith) was instructed to write to the Sydney Lawn Tennis Club urging that the association should assist in the selection. It was decided to order a second consignment of covered balls for the associated clubs. The trophies won at the Windsor tournaments were distributed by the chairman.

AQUATICS.

INTERCOLONIAL UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

The annual intercolonial University Boat Race takes place this year at Adelaide on the 23rd of April. The crew to represent the Sydney University has been selected, and is training carefully. Mr. V. B. Macdermott, captain S.U.B.C., is coaching the crew, and will probably accompany them to Adelaide. His opinion is that the men form a strong eight, and are sure to give a good account of themselves. There have been three of these races in which our University has been represented, and in two—namely, those of 1890 and 1891—we have been successful. The following are the crew for the forthcoming race:—R. W. Thomas (stroke), W. A. Conlon (7), B. Sawyer (6), E. H. Scott (5), H. G. Bennetts (4), N. White (3), C. Helsham (2), W. T. Coyle (bow); emergencies, E. J. Amphlett, R. Payne. The crew last year were:—Loper (stroke), Cox, Thomas, Sawyer, Scott, Conlon, Millard, Helsham (bow). It will thus be seen that the present crew has three new men—Bennetts, White, and Coyle. The crew will probably leave Sydney for Adelaide during the first week in April. Subscriptions are being raised from University men to help to defray the cost of the trip.

A meeting of persons representing 24ft. boats, open and half-decked, was held on Tuesday evening at Leach's Commercial Hotel, Balmain, when it was decided to hold a championship sweepstake race. Mr. J. F. Dwyer, hon. secretary of the Johnstone's Bay Sailing Club, has been appointed secretary, and the necessary arrangements left with him.

THE BALDWIN ENGINES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Referring to the correspondence in the *Herald*, of the 9th and 11th instant, I have been a constant traveller over the mountains (usually weekly) during the past five years, and would like to state my experience. The trains running to the west used to keep worse time than those running to Sydney, and scores of times have I reached my destination over an hour late. Not three months since I reached Redfern station in time to take the 8 p.m. mail train. The most obliging officer in a white coat, who usually arranges the sitting accommodation at Redfern station, said to me, "There are two divisions to-night, and you had better take the first," which I did. Our train was not a heavy one, and all went tolerably well until going up the Zigzag. We had nearly reached the top when our train came to a dead stop; the driver made two attempts to go on, and then took his train to the bottom again. Another trial, and the same result. By this time the second division had reached the bottom signals. The second division was drawn by two engines. One of the engines was uncoupled, and came on to the rear of our train, and assisted us to the top points. We started off and reached the next station, where we were shunted into a siding and waited until the second division passed through, consequently I did not reach my destination—Bowenfels—until after 2 a.m. Every hour after midnight means loss of rest and great irritation to a man who has to carry out the next day's duties as if he had gone to bed before midnight. The following week I arrived at the Redfern Station again, and my obliging friend repeated his remark about taking the first division, but which I declined with thanks. We had two engines on, and went on all right until within sight of the signals at the bottom point. There was the first division stuck up in about the same position as our train was the previous week. One of the engines drawing our train had to be taken off and sent on to assist the first division. When this was done we followed on, and passed it at one of the stations on the mountains. We were again late reaching Bowenfels. So much for the old engines. I may state that this occurred just before the "Yankees" were put on the Western mail train. Last Tuesday night I travelled again by the 8 p.m. mail, with a "Yankee" on. Our train was two minutes late starting. We went on comfortably all the way. I was able to get a good sleep between Penrith and Mount Victoria, and reached my destination before 12.40 a.m., punctual to time.

Now, Mr. Editor, who must I thank for the change from anxiety and irritation in travelling, as it is an anxious time when trains are running late on a single line, and the train backing and starting with jerks and bumps. I think we must thank the new Commissioners for the great and pleasant change they have recently made in the trains running over the mountains. No price is too high for these engines, and from what I see of them they will soon pay for themselves. For instance, I see the Yankee engines drawing 25 and 26 trucks between Bathurst and Eskbank. The old engines never more than 18. As the wages cost to run a train of 18 trucks is just as great as a train of 26, anyone can see at a glance what the saving must be. When the Commissioners' schemes for altering the Western line and the duplication works are complete, I think we shall give them the praise they so richly deserve, and if Mr. Eddy's idea for having the grand terminus in King-street had been carried out and trains had started from there direct for the west the accommodation would have been much greater.

I also think it un-English to condemn the Commissioners before their alterations for improving the service are fully carried out. I am, &c.,

OBSERVER.

The Admiralty have given instructions to the authorities at Chatham Dockyard to prepare an estimate of the cost of putting the French Cemetery, situated on the Extension Works at Chatham, in a thorough state of repair. During the last war between England and France a large number of French prisoners who were imprisoned at Chatham died either from the effects of wounds received in action or else from disease, and their bodies were interred in a special piece of ground. For some time past the burial place has been neglected, and it is supposed that the Admiralty intend to have it put in good repair.

MISS MARY ANDERSON, our beautiful cousin, is good enough to say of Pears' Soap: "I have used it for two years with the greatest satisfaction, for I find it the very best." Pears' Soap for toilet and nursery. Specially prepared for the delicate skin of ladies and children.—[ADVT.]

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LAW REPORT.

SUPREME COURT.—WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16.

No. 1 Jury Court.—(Before the CHIEF JUSTICE *and a jury of four).*

ROBINSON AND SON V. DOUGLAS (PART HEARD).

The Attorney-General (Mr. E. Barton, Q.C.) and Mr. O'Connor, instructed by Mr. John G. O. Herbert, appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., Mr. Want, Q.C., and Mr. C. B. Stephen, instructed by Mr. A. M. Betts, of Goulburn, for the defendant. This was an action brought by Thomas Robinson and Son, of Rochdale (England), against Walter Douglas, to recover the sum of £800, being balance of account for machinery, materials, and labour supplied between 21st August and 5th October, 1889, in and about alterations and additions to defendant's mill at Goulburn.

An outline of the case was given yesterday, and the evidence in chief for the plaintiffs was concluded, and defendant entered upon his case.

No. 2 Jury Court.—(Before Mr. Justice STEPHEN *and a jury of four.)*

BROWN AND OTHERS V. ROBERTSON (PART HEARD).

Mr. Cohen and Mr. Field, instructed by Mr. F. S. Moore, appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. Bruce Smith and Mr. J. L. Campbell, instructed by Messrs. Abbott and Allen, for the defendant. This was an action brought by Herbert Harrington Brown, George Henry Holmes, and George Swan Pursey, against William Affleck Robertson, to recover damages for alleged breach of warrant, and for trover.

The evidence in reply was resumed.

George S. Pursey, being further cross-examined by Mr. Bruce Smith, stated that the writ produced was in reference to an action by Brown, Holmes, Gwyn, and himself against Robertson and wife. That was an action for specific performance of an agreement by defendant to allot or hand to the plaintiffs four-fifths of a number of shares in the Homeward Gold-mining Company, No Liability, received by him, or for him, as commission on the sale of part of the mine; or for £15,000 damages for breach of such agreement and for work done by plaintiffs at his request; and for an injunction to restrain defendants from dealing with 6128 shares in the company. That action was discontinued.

By Mr. Cohen: An action was afterwards brought by Brown and Co. against Robertson, Clarke, and Gayer. That was tried in August and September, 1890.

George H. Holmes was called and examined as to what took place during the interview with Robertson at Melbourne, when Gayer and Clarke were present, and he stated that he never said to them, "I have no claim whatever against you gentlemen, and I must set about getting my rights from Barry." He never said so at any interview, either there or elsewhere. Witness also contradicted certain statements made by Robertson to Brown at the Empire Hotel, after the receipt by him of witness's letter of the 13th November, and with regard to other passages in the conversation he said he had no recollection of them. He had heard the evidence of Cormack, and he had seen the document he referred to. He (witness) never saw the document until yesterday or the original draft. He knew nothing about a meeting in December, 1889, mentioned by Cormack, when he was said to have given instructions to commence proceedings against Barry. He did not think he gave any instructions at all, he thought Cormack went by himself. It was not true that Brown said to Cormack at a later meeting, in answer to a question why he discontinued the action against Barry, "that Barry had put the thing very plainly before him, and that it would be foolish to go against him, as he (Barry) could show them a way to getting 40,000 shares from Robertson, Gayer, and Clarke." Cormack was never consulted as to whether he should be added as a plaintiff in the action against Robertson, Clarke, and Gayer, or the present action. There was no truth in the suggestion that Cormack refused to join in the present action because he considered it a conspiracy.

Cross-examined by Mr. Bruce Smith: He went with Cormack to the Grosvenor Hotel to see whether Robertson had the receipt from Barry for the 15,000 shares.

Q. How did you suppose that your wishes with regard to the action against Barry were to be conveyed to Messrs. Way and Way? A. I did not know that instructions had been sent to them.

Q. Do you mean to say you never knew that Way and Way had been instructed? A. Yes, I knew, because Cormack told me he had taken the instructions to Way and Way to issue the writ.

Q. Did he tell you what it was for? Yes; for commission in endeavouring to get half the mine off for £30,000. Cormack might have told me how many shares he was claiming; but I have no recollection of it.

Q. Then it was absolutely new to you? A. Yes; he told me he was going to bring an action, or rather that we were going to bring an action.

Q. So that Cormack came to you and said, "Now, Mr. Holmes, you are bringing an action against Barry?" A. He advised an action being brought.

Q. And he brought the action without your knowledge? A. I did not go to Messrs. Way and Way.

Q. Then Cormack brought the action without your knowledge? A. I think so, in the first instance.

Q. Was not that the very claim with reference to which you went to see Robertson at the Grosvenor Hotel? A. No, it was with reference to the 15,000 shares that I went to see Robertson. I went to see Robertson to get the receipt which he said he had. Cormack had nothing to do with the matter, and I merely took him to introduce him to Robertson.

Witness continued: When Cormack told him he had commenced the action through Way and Way he said he would let the matter rest until Mr. Brown returned. Personally he did not stop the action. He did not find fault with Cormack for giving instructions to Way and Way. He did not know that Cormack had taken proceedings altogether without his authority, because they discussed the matter many times. Cormack thought he was entitled to commission for the trouble he had taken. He (witness) stated positively that he never saw the paper purporting to be instructions to Way and Way until yesterday, and he neither gave directions for the paper to be written nor wrote it himself.

H. H. Brown (recalled) also denied Cormack's statement as to instructions being drawn up at a meeting at Holmes's office in December, 1889, for an action against Barry. He said it was utterly untrue. He never knew that instructions had been given to Way and Way. There was not a word of truth in Cormack's statement that witness said to him in explanation of his reason for discontinuing the action against Barry that it would be better to go against Robertson, Clarke, and Gayer. He entirely disapproved of the action being brought against Barry, and as soon as he heard that the thing had been done he wrote to Way and Way to discontinue the action. He thought he heard of the matter first from Gwyn.

Cross-examined by Mr. Bruce Smith: He thought Cormack's action was a "try on" to get something out of Barry; and he had nothing to do with Cormack either directly or indirectly in his (witness') endeavour to sell the property. He had not the slightest knowledge that his name was in the plaint, and it was by the merest accident he heard about it. He wrote to Way and Way to discontinue the action, as he thought it was a monstrous thing.

W. E. Barry said that the slip produced showing the proposed allotment of shares was not the one which Robertson made out in the train. The original was written on a slip of paper like the leaf of a pocket-book, and that was destroyed at Robertson's request when they got to the Athenæum Hotel, and the document produced was written in its place.

Cross-examined by Mr. Bruce Smith: In the original slip 25,000 shares were in Robertson's own name; but in the slip written at the club 3830 shares were placed in the name of Robertson's wife.

By a Juryman: The original slip showing the allotment of shares was written on the way back to Sydney, after seeing the mine. It was not written going to Kiama on the way to the mine.

His HONOR: How long were you in the train coming back? A. Something like three hours.

Q. Did you sleep at all in the train? A. Not at all.

Q. Not forty winks? A. Not a particle the whole time. We were discussing the matter. We slept all night at Nowra, and slept well.

William Dawson, clerk in the office of Brown and Co., said that he wrote the instructions which Cormack had spoken about, and when he had finished it he handed it to Cormack, who said he was going to take it to Way and Way. It was dictated to him by Cormack at witness's desk. They were alone. Cormack had some notes in his hand which he read to witness, and he wrote down what he said. Before he wrote the document there was no draft prepared by Pursey and copied by witness.

By Mr. Bruce Smith: He was not aware where Cormack got his notes. He merely saw them in his hand.

By Mr. Field: The notes were not in the handwriting of Pursey, Brown, or Holmes.

This closed the evidence, and counsel for defendant proceeded to address the jury, but had not concluded at 4 o'clock, when the case was further adjourned until the following day.

No. 3 Jury Court.—(Before his Honor Mr. Justice INNES *and a jury of four.)*

SEMPILL V. HUTCHINSON (PART HEARD).

Mr. W. A. Walker, instructed by Messrs. Allen and Allen, appeared for the plaintiff, and Dr. Sly, instructed by Mr. M'Coy, appeared for the defendant. This was an action brought by Susannah Louisa Sempill against William Hutchinson for the recovery of £200 damages for breach of agreement and trespass. The case for the plaintiff was that an agreement was entered into by which plaintiff agreed to take care of and educate the defendant's six children for a period of not less than 12 months for £150 per annum, of which sum £100 was to be paid by monthly instalments of £8 6s 8d and the £50 by quarterly instalments of £12 10s. The defendant took his children away from the plaintiff's care after eight months.

Further evidence was given on behalf of the defendant to show that the children had been neglected and cruelly illtreated.

In reply, a Mrs. Lusher was called and stated that on one occasion she saw the defendant beat and kick his children.

After the adjournment for luncheon, Mr. Walker stated that during the interval the defendant had threatened Mrs. Lusher.

Mrs. Lusher was then called, and stated that as she was coming out of the witness's room defendant said to her, "You are a nice woman to say I beat and kicked my children. I will do for you; I will settle you and your husband." Defendant's wife and children were present, and he was very cross and frightened witness.

The plaintiff and Ellen and Marion Sempill were called and denied the charge of cruelty and neglect alleged against them.

Counsel having addressed the jury, his Honor partly summed up. The case stands as part heard.

In Chambers.—(Before Mr. Justice STEPHEN.)

LYONS AND OTHERS V. RUTLEDGE.

Dr. Sly appeared for the plaintiffs, and moved for a change of venue from Sydney to Goulburn. Mr. Ralston (Messrs. Ralston and Marrack) appeared for defendant to oppose the motion. The plaintiffs are suing the defendant to recover £8 15s, alleged to be due in connection with a number of issues of the "Picturesque Atlas," and though they themselves had set down the case for trial in the Supreme Court, they now wished to have the venue changed to Goulburn as being less expensive. It was also mentioned that several of the Judges who had tried cases of this kind had expressed an opinion that they ought to be tried in the district where they arose.

His HONOR refused the application. The amount no doubt was very small, but he did not know under what circumstances the Judges had made the remarks referred to, and there would be very little difference in the expense.

Application dismissed with costs.

In Equity.—(Before his Honor Mr. Justice OWEN, *Chief Judge in Equity.)*

RE ALFRED JOSEPH WATT.

Mr. Langer Owen moved for an order for leave to issue process of attachment against the defendant, Alfred Joseph Watt, for disobedience to a decree made on the 10th June last. The defendant had carried on business at 203 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, under the name of the Universal Drug Company, but he had lately removed to Hunter-street, and also, it was stated, had an interest in a business at Enmore-road, Newtown. A decree was made against him preventing him making or selling drugs and medicines with the trade marks of the plaintiff in the case, John Alexander Rose. Damages in the suit were fixed at £200. The defendant had not paid the amount, and on the 10th September last his estate was placed in sequestration. It was averred by plaintiff that defendant had still sold the patent medicines and used the trade marks specified in the decree. Plaintiff believed that the defendant had disregarded the decree, and that, unless a writ of attachment was issued against him, would continue to do so. His Honor granted an order nisi for attachment returnable on Friday next.

RUSSELL V. NORTH SYDNEY INVESTMENT AND TRAMWAY COMPANY (PART HEARD).

Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., Mr. G. Walker, and Mr. Knox, instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Simpson, Minter, and Co., for the plaintiff; Thomas Russell, Mr. A. H. Simpson, Mr. Lingen, and Mr. Bruce Smith, instructed by Mr. W. G. Parish, for the North Sydney Investment and Tramway Company; and Mr. Langer Owen, instructed by Messrs. Cape, Kent, and Gaden, for the Perpetual Trustee Company.

It appeared that the North Sydney Investment and Tramway Company was formed in March, 1888, with the view of acquiring an estate of 1000 acres on the shores of Middle Harbour. The company issued debentures on the London market for the sum of £300,000, and the whole of its assets, tramway rights, and uncalled capital was charged to secure repayment of the debenture money. With the object of effect being given to this arrangement, a trust deed was executed between the North Sydney Company on the one part, and the Perpetual Trustee Company of Sydney, as trustees on behalf of the debenture holders. The North Sydney Investment and Tramway Company was empowered, under the trust deed, to pay interest on the debentures out of money raised from calls, as well as out of the proceeds of the sale of land or portions of its estate. An ex parte injunction was obtained by the plaintiff restraining the North Sydney Investment and Tramway Company from paying, and the Perpetual Trustee Company from consenting to its paying, interest accruing to the debenture holders on the 1st March last out of money now in the hands of the company. The present motion was an application on behalf of the plaintiff to continue the injunction previously granted until the hearing of the suit.

The application was opposed by the North Sydney Investment and Tramway Company on the ground that the deed was according to the contract entered into by the debenture holders of the company. The debenture holders, it was contended, were clearly informed that interest upon the capital subscribed by them could only be paid in the manner provided by the deed. The deed, it was stated, was prepared by Messrs. Tatham, Son, and Lousada, solicitors, of London, on behalf of the debenture holders, and was approved by Messrs. Blake and Riggall, solicitors, of Melbourne, who acted independently on behalf of the company.

The Perpetual Trustee Company appeared to submit to any order the Court might make.

Counsel proceeded to argue on the law of the matter.

His Honor reserved his judgment, the injunction to continue in the meantime.

DAVISON AND ANOTHER V. SMITH AND OTHERS.

Mr. Mann, instructed by Messrs. Holdsworth and Sons, for the plaintiffs, James Davison and William Farmer; and Mr. Walker, instructed by Messrs. Abbott and Allen, for the defendants, Maria Sarah Smith, Sydney Shaftesbury Smith, and Thomas Vern Smith, trustees of the will of Thomas Smith, deceased.

The suit was one for the specific performances of a contract. It appeared that on the 17th December, 1884, the plaintiffs entered into an agreement with John Cash Neild for the purchase from him of a piece of land at Forty Baskets Bay, North Harbour, Port Jackson, having a frontage of 123ft. to the water of North Harbour, by a depth of 330ft. Plaintiffs paid the whole of the purchase money (excepting the last instalment) amounting to £153 to J. C. Neild. Plaintiffs then learnt that the facts were that the land was situate near the boundary line between lands belonging to the defendants on the one side and J. C. Neild on the other side, and that both parties were applying for certificates of title under the Real Property Act. An agreement was made that plaintiffs should help the present defendants in their case against Neild, in consideration of which the defendants promised to transfer the land to the plaintiffs. Defendants won the case, and a certificate of title was issued to them, but plaintiffs stated that defendants now refused to carry out the arrangement or to give the plaintiffs any compensation for improvements they had made on the land. The defence was a general denial of the plaintiff's version of the agreement. The case stands as part heard.

In Bankruptcy.—(Before his Honor Mr. Justice MANNING.)

MOTION UNDER SECTION 130.

Re Cyrus Edgar Fuller (bankrupt), ex parte the official assignee, James Edward Black respondent. Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., and Mr. Gordon, instructed by Mr. W. Lindsay, appeared for the official assignee; and Mr. Hanbury Davies and Mr. Reginald Manning, instructed by Mr. J. A. Bowden, for the respondent. This was a motion for an order declaring that the official assignee is entitled as against J. E. Black to the stock-in-trade, debts, credits, and effects of a certain shop or business situate in George-street, and known as the Stationers' Hall, on the grounds that the stock-in-trade, &c., were goods in the reputed possession, order, and disposition of the bankrupt at the commencement of his bankruptcy within the meaning of the 52nd section of the Bankruptcy Act of 1887; and that the stock-in-trade, &c., formed portion of the estate of the bankrupt, and as such passed to and vested in the official assignee.

The hearing of this matter, which had occupied several days, was concluded to-day.

His HONOR, in giving judgment, said that up to the year 1886 the bankrupt was carrying on two businesses, one at Parramatta and the other in Sydney. Both were stationery businesses, but at Parramatta there was in addition a printing works. In the year 1886, so far as the Sydney business was concerned, he appeared to have taken into partnership two gentlemen, Mr. Goward and Mr. Mihell, who had been with him a number of years, giving them each for a certain sum a one-seventh share in the business. Fuller appeared to have been getting into low water. It was shown that he had overdrawn his accounts, and, at all events, he in 1888 appeared to have been in difficulties. In 1888 he was plunged into further difficulties by the sequestration of a firm in Parramatta, of which it was claimed he was a partner. That being so, in the month of June, 1888, they found that he had stripped himself of both businesses. He did not wait for any sequestration. There was no meeting of creditors or anything of that kind, but he stripped himself of both businesses—the Parramatta business by sale to Black, and Sydney business by the sale of his five-sevenths interest to one of his partners, Goward. In both of those cases—certainly in the case upon which he was now adjudicating—there was practically no money paid. That was to say, the business was just taken over, one man going out and others coming in. The only other property the bankrupt seemed to have had outside of land which was charged was some trotting ponies and furniture. Both of those passed by sale to Black. Beyond all question the trotting ponies and furniture had been left in the possession of Fuller, and he had used them in every way as if they were his own, without any reference to Mr. Black. Mr. Mihell and Mr. Goward, who were taken into partnership, appeared to have had for many years charge of the actual business in Sydney of Fuller and Co., one having entire charge of the stationery department, and the other entire charge of the book department, so that even before any partnership was entered into between the parties it did not appear that Mr. Fuller took any very active part in that portion of the business which would specially attract the attention of ordinary purchasers. His business was confined to financing and to getting up the Christmas cards, for which he appeared to have quite a name. Then, after he had sold to Goward, the business was, so far as the outside public could see, carried on apparently in the same way as before, one partner managing the stationery, the other the books, and Mr. Fuller the Christmas cards, and being upstairs doing something or other. Of course so far as the financing was concerned, that was a matter of which the outside public would know nothing. Well, matters proceeded in that way until 1890, when the partnership into which Mr. Mihel had entered expiring by effluxion of time, he desired to go out. He only continued a quasi-partner until 1891 because moneys were not forthcoming to pay him what he put into the business. Mihell retiring the only person left in the business was Goward. In December, 1890, an act of bankruptcy was clearly committed by Fuller—it was completed on the 27th December, 1890. He then committed an act of bankruptcy from which he must have known there was no possibility of escape—that if a petition had been presented for sequestration on the ground of non-compliance with bankruptcy notice it must have been followed by a sequestration order. A few days after that an account was opened by Fuller in the name of Miss Mason, his sister-in-law. That account was operated upon, but he had not the faintest shadow of doubt that it was Fuller's account and no one else's—that account clearly was Fuller's. Fuller opened an account for himself in Miss Mason's name immediately after he committed that act of bankruptcy. Then in January—the very next month after the act of bankruptcy was committed—they found Fuller approached Black with a view to Black purchasing the business from Goward. In March the matter was completed, and Mr. Black became the purchaser of the business. When Black, who was an orchardist, became the purchaser he had a business at Parramatta, which was managed by Fuller and his brother (John Black), and he admitted that he knew nothing of that business, or the Sydney business, and the business since then had been carried on by Fuller under the fullest possible power of attorney from the respondent drawn up by himself (Fuller). Fuller had carried on the business in every way—had signed cheques, signed promissory notes, received money for his purposes, received money for his business purposes, and he had in every way acted as the owner of that business. Then his estate was sequestrated in the month of May. In those circumstances the official assignee came into the court and asked for an order declaring that he was entitled as against J. E. Black to the stock-in-trade, debts, credits, and effects of the business of Stationers' Hall, in George-street. On the first point—that the goods were in the reputed possession, order, and disposition of the bankrupt at the commencement of the bankruptcy within the meaning of the 52nd section of the Bankruptcy Act of 1887—the applicant must fail; because, if Goward and Mihell were the owners on the 27th December, 1890, they were in possession and apparent possession jointly with Fuller; and that being so, there was no separate and sole possession by Fuller at that time. There was no sole possession by Fuller at that time; therefore the goods could not be said to pass to the official assignee. Now, on the other point, the official assignee claimed that those goods were the property of Fuller, either on the ground that Black, the respondent, was merely the transferee from Goward of an interest which was then Fuller's, or on the ground that Black paid for Fuller, and Fuller was therefore the real owner. He had mentioned the peculiar circumstances in which Fuller got rid of all the assets he had then available for distribution amongst his creditors. Now, first of all, in regard to the original partnership, he saw no reason at all to impeach it. There was no suggestion that Fuller was in difficulties then, and it was most reasonable that he should take into partnership people who were absolutely necessary to the business. So far as Mihell was concerned, he could not see even the shadow of suspicion resting upon his conduct from first to last. He could see nothing to affect his bona fides. In addition to that, he impressed him as being a thoroughly truthful witness. With regard to Gowan, he could not say that his position was without suspicion; but he did not think that it was a matter that went beyond suspicion. He seemed to give his evidence in a straightforward way, and he (his Honor) could not convince himself that he was withholding anything from the Court. He had given very careful consideration to the case, but he could not come to any other conclusion than that, as a matter of fact, Black was really representing Fuller in that matter. Now who was Mr. Black? Mr. Black was a gentleman who, at all events, came to the relief of Fuller in 1888. In 1888 Black had no more knowledge of the stationery business than he (his Honor) had. Black took that property up to help Fuller. He also took over from Fuller everything else, including horses and furniture—all that Fuller had in the world, with the exception of that other business; and without doubt he allowed Fuller to exercise acts of ownership with reference to the horses. Black came in to help Fuller in regard to that business of which he knew nothing. He took all the rest of Fuller's property, and he never claimed ownership for one day, but left Fuller entirely in charge. How was he introduced into that business? Fuller went to him and asked him to buy that property. He came in and bought it. He took Goward's figures entirely. There was no competition over the sale. Black simply walked into the business, took over liabilities which up to that time the business had always been able to meet. He took over the business, and he was called upon to pay only £11 9s. Then he gave the fullest possible power of attorney to Fuller, which made Fuller utterly and entirely independent of him. He absolutely abandoned all control of that business to Fuller. Fuller had absolute power to do anything he liked over that business, and during nine months the only person who had any money out of the business for his own private purposes was Fuller. Having reviewed other portions of the evidence, his Honor expressed it as his conviction that Miss Mason had connived with and had been a mere tool in the hands of Fuller in regard to that matter. He had come to the conclusion that, as Black had acted in one respect to help Fuller, so Miss Mason had acted in another to help him. He could not come to any other conclusion than that Black was acting for Fuller, therefore that property was Fuller's, and therefore the official assignee was entitled to succeed in that case.

Order made accordingly.

INTERIM INJUNCTION.

At a later period of the day Mr. Gordon moved ex parte for an interim injunction to stay proceedings in the action brought by Cyrus Edgar Fuller (bankrupt) against George Edward Young, returning officer for Central Cumberland, for the recovery of two sums of £40, moneys deposited on the 15th June and the 22nd August. It was stated that in that action judgment had been signed for want of a plea. Mr. Gordon said he wished to have the injunction granted pending the hearing of a motion for an order by the Court declaring that the official assignee was entitled to the moneys in question.

His HONOR granted the injunction applied for.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. ARTHUR HENRY.)

CERTIFICATE GRANTED.

The Registrar ordered that a certificate be issued to James M'Kenzie.

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS ADJOURNED.

William Henry Dennes, to 20th April; Edward William Meredith, to 30th March; George Montgomery Seton, to 30th March; Wong King Gee, to 30th March.

CERTIFICATE APPLICATION STRUCK OUT.

Hugh Hart Lusk had lodged an application for a certificate, but did not attend to prosecute it. The application was, therefore, struck out.

EXAMINATION OF BANKRUPTS.

Re John Rampa. The bankrupt deposed that he was now a cabdriver. He was a fruiterer and confectioner, and had carried on businesses in Market-street, Sydney, in Newtown, and in George-street, Sydney. He assigned his estate in Newtown two years ago. He paid his creditors 5s in the £. He had a butchery business in Rockdale, which he bought 12 months ago last December for £45. He re-sold that business on 2nd September to Holden, his son-in-law, for £45. Witness's bankruptcy was caused by his being sued for damages. He put a bailiff in, who asked more than was due, and they let witness sell by auction.

Re Henry Solomon. The bankrupt deposed that he was bankrupt 21 or 22 years ago. His bankruptcy on the present occasion was caused by depreciation in the value of land and losses in business. In January, 1890, he gave a bill of sale to Alice Solomon, his daughter. There was no consideration. He gave his daughter the bill of sale to secure her for the mortgage which she joined in over property which she was entitled to under her grandfather's will. Witness had only a life interest in that property. He got £2000 for that mortgage from the Permanent Trustee Company. The furniture was taken possession of by his daughter. He told his daughter that he had become bankrupt, and she took possession. She was living in the house with him. She took possession the day after he filed. There was no alteration in the arrangements. She said, "The property is mine, and I suppose I can do what I like with it." No difference was made in respect to the way in which the house was carried on. The furniture was originally bought by witness.

Re Elysee Richard. The bankrupt deposed that he left Narrandera on 8th January, and since then had been in Sydney. He kept a boarding-house and restaurant. His bankruptcy was caused by his place being burnt out. Everything was burned. He was insured for £200. He got £125. The damage done cost him £400.

The examinations of George William Beaumont, James Locke, and Rene Bertaux were declared to be concluded.

The examination of the undermentioned bankrupts was adjourned:—Charles Hill Fordham, to the 23rd instant; Archibald Dickson, to the 23rd instant; William Salmon, sine die; John Bertram Lothrop, sine die; William Percy Smairl, sine die.

ISSUE OF SUMMONS.

Re John C. Munro. Mr. Proctor applied on behalf of the elected trustee (Mr. A. D. Macfarlane) for the issue of a summons for examination of witnesses under section 30. Mr. Lloyd (for Mr. Stephen, official assignee) said he was not satisfied that there were any grounds for believing that the proposed examination would benefit the estate. The Registrar ordered the trustee to file an affidavit stating the object of the examination and what grounds he had for believing it would benefit the estate.

CREDITORS' RESOLUTIONS.

Re George Dowling. The Registrar approved of a resolution which had been passed by the creditors in favour of allowing the bankrupt to retain his furniture and tools of trade.

Re Lawrence J. M'Grath. A motion to allow the bankrupt to retain his furniture was negatived.

SEQUESTRATION ORDERS.

Arthur Wellesley Welman, of Ariah, grazier. Mr. A. Morris, official assignee.

John Pollack, of Corrimal, miner. Mr. A. Morris, official assignee.

Henry Charles Grew, of Queen-street, Woollahra, painter. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

Arthur Smith, of Ocean-street, Woollahra (formerly of Kiama), builder. Mr. E. M. Stephen, official assignee.

Simon Dodd Ridley, of Plattsburg, coalminer. Mr. E. M. Stephen, official assignee.

Probate Jurisdiction.—(Before the REGISTRAR.)

The following were granted:—Probates: James Rowe, Isaiah Green, Charles Paddle, George Nathaniel Triggs, Lydia Morris. Administrations: Sarah Elliott, Flora Maria Riddell, Andrew Hogg.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COURT.

WEDNESDAY.

No. 1 Court.—(Before his Honor Judge WILKINSON.)

GIBBINGS V. HARRISON.

In this case Robert Augustus Cumbermere Gibbings, trading as Hotson and Co., of No. 191 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, sued Elizabeth Emily Harrison, of Pine and Wilson streets, Newtown, for £63 18s 4d for architect's work done. Verdict for plaintiff for £20 13s 4d, with costs of three witnesses for two days.

No. 2 Court.—(Before his Honor Judge DOCKER.)

ABBEY V. BACKHOUSE.

In this case William Abbey, trading as W. Abbey and Co., bootmakers, George-street, Sydney, sued R. C. Backhouse, of South-street, Double Bay, for £13 11s 6d for boots supplied and repairs done. Verdict for plaintiff for amount claimed, with costs of one witness.

BENNETT V. GOATER.

In this case C. C. Bennett, of Elizabeth-street, Sydney, hotel-proprietor, sued H. Goater, tobacconist, of Castlereagh-street, Sydney, for £16 16s for eight week's board and lodging. Verdict for the plaintiff for the amount claimed, payable by instalments of £2 a month, with costs of one witness.

NICHOLSON V. PAYNE.

In this case James Charles W. Nicholson, trading under the title of Nicholson and Co., of King and George streets, Sydney, sued F. H. G. Payne, solicitor, of the Imperial Arcade, Pitt-street, Sydney, for £17 7s 6d on a dishonoured cheque. Verdict for the plaintiff for the amount claimed, with costs of one witness.

GODDARD V. HEFFERNAN.

In this case William Goddard, of No. 14 May-street, off George-street West, sued James Heffernan, of the Braidwood Hotel, Foveaux-street, Surry Hills, for £200 damages for an alleged malicious prosecution. The plaintiff complained that he had been assaulted by the defendant, who had then given him into custody to a policeman, and had caused him to be brought before a justice of the peace on a false charge of assault, which had been dismissed. The plaintiff was nonsuited, with costs of six witnesses for three days, his Honor holding that the defendant had not given the plaintiff in charge. He had come to that decision on the evidence called for the plaintiff, without thinking it necessary to hear the defence.

JACKSON V. ABEL.

In this case Francis Jackson sued Charles Baldry Abel, of King-street, Sydney, for £200 damages for alleged breach of a verbal agreement with reference to the occupancy of a certain shop in King-street. The defendant denied that he had made such an agreement. His Honor non-suited the plaintiff with costs of five witnesses for three days.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—THURSDAY, MARCH 17.

No. 1 Jury Court.—Robinson and Son v. Douglas (part heard).

No. 2 Jury Court.—Brown and others v. Robertson, Cullen v. A. J. S. Bank, same v. same.

No. 3 Jury Court.—Sempill v. Hutchinson (part heard), Palmer v. Burtt, A. J. S. Bank, v. Richardson, Howard and another v. Cutler.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge.—At 11 a.m., Davidson and another v. Smith and others (part heard).

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary: Waldron v. Mitchell, 10; Pullen v. Archibald, 11; Woods v. Mason Bros., 11.30; Hegherty v. National Mutual Life Association Company, 12; re Gent one, &c., 2; Shadler v. Schneider, 2.30.

Before the Chief Clerk.—North v. Hughes, 10; in re Thomas Wallace, 10.30.

Master's Office.—At 11, Trans-Pacific General Insurance Company, Limited, to settle claims; at 12 noon, New Oriental Bank v. Phillips, to proceed on accounts; same v. same, to settle minutes of decree; at 2 p.m., Arthur v. Viviers, to pass accounts.

Probate Jurisdiction (before his Honor the Probate Judge).—At 10 a.m.: Motions for probates and administrations, motions to pass accounts and for commission, motions for powers of sale. Before the Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: In the estate of William John Coad, to proceed on accounts; in the estate of Matthew Kreiger, to proceed on accounts; in the estate of Motcha Jacobs, to proceed on accounts.

Before Mr. Justice Manning.—At 11: Archibald Dickson, examination under section 130.

In Bankruptcy (before the Chief Clerk).—At 2.30: Re Dawbarn, taxation and costs.

Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy, at 11.—Hearing of creditors' petitions: S. Hoffnung and Co. v. W. H. Hollis, Sydney Real Estate Bank v. H. S. Meyers, Bank of New South Wales v. E. H. Reynolds, Alexander Ogden v. W. W. Knowles, John Bardsley and Co. v. John Ramsay, George Lockyer v. Samuel Amos Rheuben, Thomas Whitehead v. John M'Arthur, Cohen and Bornstein v. E. R. M. Homberg, Thomas Marriott v. J. M. Brown, A. J. Riley and Co. v. John Newman Ryan. Public Examinations: L. J. M'Grath, Moss Saber. Examinations under Section 30: Thomas M'Greal, L. J. M'Grath, Moss Saber, Bell and Davis; John Hinton, hearing on proof of Martin Systrum.

DISTRICT COURT.—THURSDAY, MARCH 17.

No. 1 Court.—(Before Judge Wilkinson.)

At 10: Crawford v. Gilchrist, Lees garnishee; Sydney and Suburban Trade Company v. Barlow, same v. Power, same v. Iler, same v. Iler and another, Simpson v. Grand Central Coffee Palace, Wilson v. Stewart, Gough v. M'Guire, Scutts v. Sharkey, Middleton v. Mossman, Perks v. Davis, Smith v. Meadham, James v. Martin, Barnes v. Connolly.

No. 2 Court.—(Before his Honor Judge Docker.)

Causes.—At 10 a.m.: O'Keefe v. Foy, Bow v. Preddy and another, Schalkan v. Doetsch, Brockman v. Grimley, Cohen v. Green, Campbell v. Monkhouse, Fleming v. Railway Commissioners for N.S.W., Hoile and others v. Stevenson, Mont de Piété Company v. O'Neill.

The jurors summoned for No. 2 Jury Court for to-day, Thursday, the 17th instant, need not attend until 1.30 p.m.

The jurors summoned for No. 1 Jury Court for to-day, Thursday, the 17th instant, will not be required to attend until Friday next, the 18th instant.

POLICE.

Mr. James Giles, D.S.M., presided at the Central Police Court yesterday. Louisa Eckford, 26, a married woman, was sentenced to be imprisoned for one month, with hard labour, on a charge of having stolen a piece of bacon, valued at 3s, the property of Charles Munright. Charles Atherton, 28, a case-maker, having used obscene language in the bar of the Welcome Home Hotel, Goulburn and Brisbane streets, whilst open to the public, was fined £2, in default one month's imprisonment. Thomas Jones, a wharf labourer, having behaved in a riotous manner, was sentenced to seven days' imprisonment. George Jackson, 27, a labourer, was charged with larceny, as a bailee, of one side of bacon and a box containing eight dozen eggs, valued at 26s, the property of Thomas Eyre Ellis, carrying on business as an auctioneer at Camperdown. The accused, who pleaded guilty, was sentenced to be imprisoned for six months, with hard labour.

Captain A. M. Fisher, S.M., presided in the Charge Division of the Water Police Court; and Mr. Benjamin Lee, S.M., dealt with upwards of 50 cases in the Small Debts Court. John Robinson, on a charge of having behaved in a riotous manner in Cowper-street, Waverley, was fined 20s, levy and distress; and, for having unlawfully assaulted Alfred John Masters, £3, in default two months in gaol, accumulative. Arthur Harrison was remanded to the Melbourne police court on a charge of having absconded from his bail. George Brenchley, 33, on remand, was sentenced to six months' hard labour for having obtained from Catherine Kartzman goods to the value of 8s 9d, and 15s 2d in money, by means of a false pretence, to wit, a valueless cheque, with intent to defraud, on the 17th December last.

Mr. W. Johnson, S.M., presided at the Newtown Police Court. Alexis Nouailles, aged 40, was charged with having, on the 18th instant, broken into the dwelling-house of Andrew James M'Cauley, in Grove-street, Marrickville, and stolen therein three gold bangles and a quantity of clothing and miscellaneous articles. Accused is a rag collector, and it is alleged that he effected an entrance into the house by the back window on the afternoon of the 8th, when the inmates were away. It seems that accused's companion in the rag trade, who was in charge of a cart, working on the opposite side of the street, had left accused behind in this street. Accused then sat down with his bag of rags when, a constable passing, he desired to search the bag. The constable came across some cashboxes broken and other articles. He arrested him, and when the robbery was reported accused was charged with having committed it. The broken cashboxes were identified by Mr. M'Cauley as his property. Accused says he picked up the cashboxes in the yard, and thinking they were rubbish took them. He denies all connection with the robbery. No other stolen property was found on him. Mr. M'Cauley reported that there were marks of hobnailed boots on the sofa under the window. Accused was wearing such boots when arrested. He was committed to take his trial at the next court of quarter sessions.

Messrs. F. M. Edwards, P.M., and R. Harper, J.P., disposed of the business at the Parramatta Police Court. James Martin pleaded guilty to assaulting Louisa Ellison, a girl aged about 15 years. He was fined 40s or 21 days' in gaol, hard labour. A Chinaman named Ah Tong was charged with travelling without a railway ticket. Evidence was to the effect that accused came by the train from South Creek, and instead of purchasing a ticket from the starting point, got out of the train at Parramatta and purchased a ticket. Fined 20s, in default seven days. George Howe Brown, alias "The Colonel," a gentlemanly-looking man, was charged with obtaining goods to the value of £1 10s by means of a valueless cheque. Evidence was to the effect that the accused purchased goods to the value of 16s 9d from G. T. Erby, draper, and tendered a cheque for 30s, receiving the change. The cheque was drawn on the A. J. S. Bank, Redfern, and a clerk from that bank swore that there was no account there when the cheque was presented. Inspector Latimer stated that prisoner received six months at Penrith on Monday, and was under remand on a similar charge at Sydney. Prisoner pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, to commence at the expiration of the sentence imposed by the Penrith Bench. Harry Curran, charged with non-payment of fines, sentenced to 14 days, unless fines were sooner paid. Michael Hagan was charged by George Eagar with unlawfully rescuing cows lawfully seized for the purpose of being impounded. Fined 20s, with 8s 4d costs of Court, £2 2s professional costs, and 10s witness's expenses.

TRAMWAY SIGNS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I desire to suggest to the Railway Commissioners an improvement on the present mode of indicating by night some of the routes on our tramway service. On the Leichhardt and Bondi lines the colours shown can only be distinguished at a very short distance from the single white denoting the railway trams. Again, it is impossible by the signs at present used to distinguish between Enmore and Dulwich Hill trams, between Waterloo and Botany, between Randwick and Coogee, or between Leichhardt and Five Dock. I would, therefore, propose the following:—Enmore, green by green; Dulwich Hill, green over green; Waterloo, green by white; Botany, green over white; Randwick, green; Coogee, white over red; Leichhardt, green over red; Five Dock, red over green; Bondi, white over white; Glebe, red by red; Balmain (when opened), red over red. The colours shown at present on the other routes are in every way satisfactory.

I am, &c., G. R. M.

THE BLACKFRIARS MURDER.

INQUEST CONTINUED.

The inquest into the death of Jane M'Crow, who was found murdered on the Blackfriars Estate on the 5th February last, was continued yesterday at the Coroner's Court, Chancery-square.

Before the inquest was further proceeded with, Alexander M'Crow intimated that he wished to call Charles Vandenbergh, butcher, Alfred-street, North Sydney, as a witness. The Coroner accordingly ordered the witness to be sent for.

John O'Connor, dealer, No. 442 Riley-street, deposed that on the night of the 5th February he was going to Darlington with a friend through Buckland-street when he saw the deceased lying on the footpath. It was about five minutes to 11 o'clock in the evening. He saw blood on the footpath. He thought she had fallen and cut her head. He then went for a policeman, and met Senior-constable Day and accompanied him to where the woman was lying. On lifting her up they found that her throat was cut. Constable Day put her in a cab and took her away.

Detective Edward Keatinge deposed that he had taken the various measurements in the vicinity of the murder, and had prepared the plan produced. He described the appearance of the locality, and the traces of blood which were to be seen immediately after the discovery of the murder. One of the posts of the fence near where the murder was committed had on it four finger-marks in blood. Witness knew M'Crow, and, when he went to see him at the hospital on 17th February M'Crow said, "I'm a bit better now. I suppose you never expected to see me in this position." Witness said, "No; you are the last man in New South Wales I expected to see in the position you are in now." M'Crow asked, "How are the children?" Witness said, "They are all right." He said, "I suppose they will never speak to me after this." Witness answered, "I'll convey any message you wish to them." M'Crow said, "Tell them to call and see me when I go up above." Afterwards he said, "Is she dead?" Witness said, "Yes, she could not possibly have lived five minutes after the gash she received. There's no use hiding the fact from you." M'Crow then said, "Only that I had the accursed knife on me, and a few drinks, it would never have happened. I would not have had the knife on me only I was going as foreman to a butcher's place at Mosman's Bay, which a man at North Shore had obtained for me." Witness said, "Had you a quarrel?" He said, "Yes; she would not leave the 6d restaurant, and I was jealous. There was something wrong there." Witness said, "Surely you had no reason to be jealous of the unfortunate woman?" M'Crow replied, "I heard something, Mr. Keatinge." Witness then asked him if he remembered meeting his niece, Miss Mean, in Shepherd-street that night. He said, "Yes; my wife gave her some grapes." Witness said, "Was it before or after that that you had the quarrel?" M'Crow said, "A good while after that." Witness then told him that he was going to the Coroner, whereupon M'Crow said, "I can't shake hands with you, Mr. Keatinge, for I have not been able to use my right hand since that night. I also feel the effect in my right leg."

To Alexander M'Crow: He would swear that M'Crow did not mention the cookshop. He referred to the 6d restaurant. He was with him in the hospital more than five minutes. He was with him for about half an hour.

Constable William Rae gave evidence corroborating that of Detective Keatinge.

Charles Vandenbergh, butcher, Alfred-street, North Sydney, deposed to knowing Alexander M'Crow. On Thursday, the 4th February, he came to witness's place at about 9 in the morning. He had sent a message to M'Crow that he had found a situation for him at Mosman's Bay. That was why M'Crow came to see him. Witness drove him out to Mosman's Bay, and he got the job. M'Crow, at the time, had a parcel containing two knives in it, one a tableknife and the other a butcher's knife. He left this parcel at witness's house.

To Alexander M'Crow: He was to get 30s a week and his meat for the family, consisting of himself, wife, and daughter, and a house to live in.

Constable William Emerton deposed to having had M'Crow in his custody at the hospital on Sunday, 7th February last. He remembered Detective Keatinge coming into the room where M'Crow was. Constable Rae was also present. They were there about five or ten minutes. He did not think they were there 20 minutes. He heard a conversation between Detective Keatinge and M'Crow, but he took no particular note of it. He remembered Keatinge saying to M'Crow, "Well, Mac, how are you getting on?" M'Crow said, "Nicely, thank you," and then afterwards, "Is the old woman dead?" Keatinge replied, "She could not be anything else," or words to that effect. He did not remember any more of the conversation. M'Crow seemed to be surprised when Keatinge said that M'Crow's wife was dead. He was very weak at the time, and could not speak very well, and was being fed on low diet. Witness heard the doctors speaking to M'Crow about his arm and leg.

Annie Osgood, recalled at the request of M'Crow, deposed that it was on the night of the 29th of January that she heard him sharpening a knife. He was sharpening it on the doorstep. The table knife produced she believed was the one he was sharpening. (This was the knife left by M'Crow at Vandenbergh's, and produced by the witness.)

This was all the evidence.

The Coroner said that if the jury were satisfied that the wound in the throat of the deceased was inflicted by Alexander M'Crow it would be their duty to charge him with murder. All they had to find was whether a prima facie case had been made out, such as would justify them in charging M'Crow with wilful murder in order that he might be sent to the Criminal Court for trial.

The foreman explained that some of the jury were not satisfied about the finding of the butcher's knife at the scene of the murder, and wanted to hear the evidence of the man Flood who had picked up the knife and handed it to the constable. The knife accused had when he went seeking employment had been sworn not to be the butcher's knife produced in court. Some of the jury had doubts about the identity of the knife.

The Coroner said that if the jury were not satisfied with the evidence before them, and wanted more, he would have to adjourn the inquest.

The inquest was accordingly adjourned till Tuesday, 22nd instant, at 10 a.m.

Alexander M'Crow, 46, was yesterday morning formally charged at the Central Police Court, before Mr. T. Giles, D.S.M., with having, on the 5th February last, murdered Jane M'Crow, his wife. A remand to Tuesday next was granted.

THE SYDNEY DEPOSIT BANK.

THE MANAGER COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

At the Water Police Court yesterday afternoon Captain Fisher, S.M., concluded the hearing of the charge against Thomas Smith Richardson, manager of the Sydney Deposit Bank, "that he did wilfully and falsely swear that the quarterly abstract ended on the 27th December, 1891, was a true abstract, showing the average amount of the liabilities and assets of the bank."

Mr. Garland, instructed by Mr. Wilshire, of the Crown Solicitor's Department, conducted the prosecution; and Mr. Heydon, instructed by Messrs. Stephen and Ickerson, appeared to defend the accused.

James Robertson, accountant (recalled), stated, in answer to questions asked by Mr. Heydon, that it was a general rule among financial companies to write off bad debts at once. Doubtful debts were written off gradually.

Mr. Garland tendered a Sydney Deposit Bank note, bearing a signature which witness identified as that of accused. Witness said that he had seen a number of similar notes.

Henry Gorman, valuator, said he knew the Bramshott property, situate on the Cook's River-road. On September 29, 1889, he estimated the value of the property at £15,000. That was a fair valuation. At the end of last year he estimated the value of the property at £10,000. Land values commenced to fall towards the end of 1889.

Daniel M'Garvie, grocer's assistant, said that Richardson used a room at Turpin and Bryan's, George-street South, for the storage of a theatrical wardrobe.

Charles F. W. Lloyd, an auctioneer and valuator, said that on Friday last he valued a theatrical wardrobe at Turpin and Bryan's. He valued the wardrobe at £20. The dresses were in very bad condition. He had inspected the fittings and safes in the Sydney Deposit Bank premises, and that morning he sold them by auction at the instance of the official assignee. There was a very good attendance at the sale. All with the exception of two safes (valued at about £40) were sold, and realised £270. Good auction prices were realised.

Edwin Ernest Burn, a painter, said he became bankrupt on the 27th February, 1890. No dividends had been paid by his estate, and none were likely to be paid. The assets at the time of bankruptcy were worth £5. Witness knew the accused, and had an account at the accused's bank.

By Mr. Heydon: For about six months prior to bankruptcy witness conducted a skating rink. He paid £900 for the rink, and borrowed £200 from the Sydney Deposit Bank, and gave the bank security over the lease.

William Neaves, a general shopkeeper, said that on 29th January, 1890, he sequestrated his estate. At the time of sequestration he was indebted to the Sydney Deposit Bank. He believed his estate had paid a dividend of 6s 3d in the pound.

Edwin Burn (recalled) said the Sydney Deposit Bank did not prove in his estate. He had frequently had cheques cashed at the Sydney Deposit Bank, and had received as cash notes of the bank.

This was the case for the prosecution.

Captain Fisher said a prima facie case had been made out, and he committed the accused to take his trial at the Central Criminal Court on the 2nd April next.

The accused reserved his defence.

Mr. Heydon asked for bail. He said that upon the arrest of the accused bail was allowed thus: the accused in £1000, and two sureties of £500 each. He now asked that, in place of two sureties of £500 each, the Court accept four sureties of £250 each.

Mr. Garland said that he had no objection to offer to bail being allowed, but in view of the serious nature of the charge he hardly thought that four sureties of £250 each was sufficient security.

Mr. Heydon said that the accused had failed to get sureties of £500, and in consequence had been in gaol for 16 days. If four sureties of £250 each were allowed, he believed the accused would be able to get bail.

Mr. Fisher fixed bail thus: The accused in £2000, and four sureties in £300 each.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.—EIGHTH DAY, MARCH 16.

The Moderator took the chair at 10.10 a.m.

The minutes of the proceedings of the previous day were read and sustained.

CHURCH PROPERTY, &c.

The committee on church property, law, and documents reported that during the year the gazetting of trustees had been proceeded with in the regular way. Advice about a number of matters submitted by various charges had been given. The land left to the Church by the late Rev. Colin Stewart, M.A., was at present held by two trustees.

The committee had received from the Government Lands Office a communication warning those whom it concerned that all land granted for church purposes could be applied only for the objects for which the grant was made, and that where this had not been done it devolved upon the Crown to protect its revenues, and assert its rights by revoking the dedication, or dedication and grant, as empowered by law.

In the equity suit, Gilchrist and others v. Lamb and others, affecting St. David's Ashfield church property, the Supreme Court, in August, 1890, gave a unanimous judgment in favour of the plaintiffs, the trustees of the church. Against this judgment the defendant, Mr. J. S. Ramsay, appealed to the Privy Council, and his appeal was still pending. The appellant delayed his appeal for 16 months, it having been sent to London on the 23rd December, 1891.

The committee recommended that the offer of the Rev. H. Macready to collect materials for the proposed "History of the Church" should be accepted. Appended to the report was a draft bill of the proposed Church Trusts Act prepared by Mr. J. A. Aitken, the law agent of the Church. This bill provides for the creation of a corporate body of trustees for the purpose of holding property in trust for the Church.

On the motion of the Rev. G. M'INNES, the following deliverance was passed:—Receive the report; call the attention of parties concerned to the warning given by the Government anent the revocation of dedications and grants; thank Rev. Henry Macready for his offer to collect materials for the proposed history of the Church, and accept his kind offer to do this work; approve generally of the Draft Church Trusts Bill, as submitted; send the bill and the summary of it down to presbyteries for consideration and report; enjoin on presbyteries to send their reports on the draft bill to the committee on church property law and documents not later than the 30th September, 1892; direct that a sufficient number of copies of the draft bill be printed for circulation among trustees and members of committees of management; approve of the postponement of the consideration of the model trust deed until the draft bill has been passed into law; thank the law agent of the Church, Mr. Aitken, for the skill, care, and diligence he has shown in preparing the draft bill.

DEPUTATION TO GOVERNOR.

At 11.15 a.m. a deputation consisting of the Very Rev. the Moderator, the Clerk, in their robes, and the Rev. Dr. Steel, left the assembly for the purpose of waiting on the Governor and laying before him the loyal address of condolence to her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of the death of the Duke of Clarence, passed by the assembly on the second day of sitting. At noon the deputation returned, and the Moderator reported that the deputation had waited on his Excellency, that his Excellency had received the address, and stated he would transmit it as requested, and would furnish a reply at an early date.

ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE.

Under the direction of the council of St. Andrew's College, within the University of Sydney, Principal Kinross brought under the notice of the General Assembly the present condition of the college. During the year 1891 the number of students in attendance was 28 resident and four non-resident. As this was a larger number than could be adequately accommodated the Council had resolved to set about the erection of additional buildings, and a considerable amount (over £2000) had already been promised towards that object. One great advantage anticipated from the proposed addition was that the theological tutors appointed by the General Assembly would be furnished with more convenient rooms for the delivery of their lectures to those students who have entered upon their divinity course. During the past year, of the candidates for the ministry, three students of the college were attending the lectures of the theological tutors, three were prosecuting their studies as undergraduates, and one was preparing for matriculation. This year there were three candidates for the ministry going up for matriculation. The report of the Moderator of the Assembly for 1891, the Rev. Robert Collie, F.L.S., stated that, as visitor to the college, he had found it an exceedingly flourishing condition under the watchful superintendence and conscientious care of the learned and reverend principal, Dr. Kinross. The college was admirably fulfilling the objects aimed at in its foundation. It afforded to many undergraduates belonging to the Presbyterian Church a comfortable home, training in the principles of religion, and supervision of their university studies. The advantages of the college were appreciated by others also. Parents who were not Presbyterians placed their sons under the care of Principal Kinross.

On the motion of Dr. GILCHRIST, the reports were received, and the assembly expressed its high gratification at the continued success of the college.

EPITOME OF DOCTRINE.

The returns anent epitome of doctrine were laid on the table. The presbyteries reported, for the most part, that at the present it was not expedient, seeing that various of the older and more influential Presbyterian churches had the matter in hand, for the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales to determine the question by a formal acceptance of the Articles of Faith prepared and adopted by the Presbyterian Church of England.

The Rev. T. E. CLOUSTON moved, and it was agreed to,—"That returns be received and the committee be discharged."

PROPOSED COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY.

The assembly called for an overture anent commission of assembly transmitted from the Presbytery of Sydney. The overture asked that whereas it sometimes happens that between one General Assembly and the next, matters arise which require the immediate attention of the Church through its highest court, and whereas it is desirable that the General Assembly should be relieved of a portion of the business which annually comes before it, the Presbytery of Sydney hereby overtures the Venerable the General Assembly, appointed to meet in March next, to take these premises into consideration, and to resolve to appoint a commission of assembly, to meet from year to year, with the usual powers of a commission. The Rev. W. S. Frackelton moved, and the Rev. Dr. Gilchrist seconded,—"That the overture be sustained and sent down to presbyteries under the Barrier Act." Dr. Steel moved for the dismission of the overture, on the ground that if a commission of assembly were created it would throw nearly all the power into the hands of the Sydney Presbytery. On the motion "That the overture be sustained" being put, it was negatived.

THE GENERAL AGENT.

The Rev. T. E. CLOUSTON moved, and the Rev. J. AULD seconded,—"The assembly hearing that the Rev. J. Miller Ross is at a very serious crisis in his illness expresses its sympathy with him, and its earnest prayer that he may be brought in safety through his affliction, and steadily restored to health." The motion was agreed to, and the Revs. Dr. Steel and W. Lamont engaged in prayer. Mr. Lamont was authorised to report to Mr. Ross what the assembly had done.

THE AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

The debate on the last clause of the deliverance of the report of the committee on the aged and infirm ministers' fund was resumed. The adoption of the overture anent this fund from the Goulburn Presbytery, read on Saturday last, was taken into consideration. After a long discussion, at the suggestion of Dr. Steel, it was resolved to receive the overture and to take immediate steps to increase the fund by at least £5000, and to instruct the committee to appoint the Rev. James Adam or some other minister as a deputation to urge the claims of the fund before the whole circuit.

The assembly at 2.30 p.m. adjourned till 4 p.m.

AFTERNOON SEDERUNT.

The Moderator took the chair at 4 p.m.

The house went into committee of the whole to consider the proposed regulations of the aged and infirm ministers' fund.

Nine of the proposed regulations were dealt with. The house then resumed, progress was reported, and leave was given to sit again.

The assembly at 6 p.m. adjourned till 7 p.m.

EVENING SEDERUNT.

The Moderator took the chair at 7 p.m.

THE LATE DUKE OF CLARENCE.

A letter was read from his Excellency the Governor, as follows:—"The Very Rev. the Moderator of the General Assembly. Dear Sir,—I am commanded by her Majesty the Queen and their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales to convey their grateful thanks to the ministers and elders of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales for the message of condolence, and to assure you that the Royal Family are much affected by the universal feeling of sympathy and grief expressed for the loss they have sustained. I am, dear sir, yours faithfully, JERSEY."

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

The report of the board of examiners stated that Messrs. D. Edwards, B.A., and W. Smairl, B.A., having complied with the regulations and passed the entrance examination in Scripture history and doctrine, had been admitted and enrolled as students of theology within the Theological Hall. Mr. George Milne, having completed his curriculum in the Theological Hall, entered for the exit examination, 1891, and obtained an average percentage of 62½ marks. The board sustained the examination, and the usual certificate was granted to Mr. Milne.

On the motion of the Rev. T. G. Molyneux, M.A., LL.B., the report was adopted.

THE LATE MR. A. DODDS.

The following minute was, on the recommendation of the committee appointed, adopted:—"The assembly desires to place on record its sense of the loss which the Presbyterian Church has sustained in the removal by death of the Hon. A. Dodds, M.L.C., who was for many years an honoured an active member of the church courts, a useful and influential councillor of St. Andrew's College, and who took a keen interest in all that pertained to the welfare of the Church. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Dodds's family, with an expression of the assembly's sympathy with them in their bereavement."

LEAVE TO MORTGAGE.

A petition was received from the trustees of Ashfield asking for leave to obtain £1750 upon mortgage of the church property for the acquisition of another piece of land at the rear of and adjoining the present property. The prayer of the petition was granted.

REMOVAL OF TRUSTEE.

A petition was read from the committee of management of St. Luke's Church, asking for the removal of Mr. W. Duncan from the trusteeship of St. Luke's Church, Redfern, on account of his having withdrawn from all connection with the congregation. Mr. Duncan was cited to appear, and he was in the assembly during the afternoon, but he was not present when the petition was read. It was moved by the Rev. R. S. Paterson, and seconded, that the prayer of the petition be granted. Against this the Rev. Dr. Gilchrist moved as an amendment that the consideration of the petition be postponed till next morning, and that Mr. Duncan be again cited to appear. The amendment was negatived, and the motion was carried by a large majority. Against this decision the Revs. Dr. Gilchrist, W. S. Frackelton, G. M'Innes, J. Inglis, Mr. Aitken, and Mr. Barrie dissented.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

This committee reported that the year had been marked by steady progress in the temperance work of the Church. Societies had been instituted in several congregations, and old ones had been resuscitated. The Temperance Association, as agreed to by the last assembly, was publicly inaugurated by a meeting in St. Stephen's Church on the 8th October last. The committee regretted that temperance legislation promised early in last year had not been carried into effect, but trusted that steps would soon be taken in the Legislative Assembly to bring about a much-needed reform in the present Licensing Act. The committee was in thorough agreement with those who were working for full local option, and in order that united action might be taken at the proper time, the ministers and office-bearers were requested to keep the subject prominently before the people.

The Rev. J. W. Inglis moved, and the Rev. R. S. Paterson seconded, the deliverance,—"Receive the report, thank the committee for its diligence, express satisfaction with the progress made in the temperance work of the Church, commend the association just formed to the Church, and urge upon ministers and office-bearers the advisableness of having a branch in their several charges. Record our thorough agreement with the principle of full local option, and urgently recommend members and office-bearers to help in the effort being made to further it. Recommend each minister to preach on 'The danger to the Individual, the Church, and the State, arising from the Drinking Customs of Society,' and hereby appoint the third Sabbath in December, or any other Sabbath of the month that may be found more convenient for the purpose."

The deliverance was agreed to.

DEPUTATIONS.

The Rev. J. W. Inglis introduced to the assembly Messrs. Gow, Knapp, and Smith, a deputation on behalf of the Local Option League, and Messrs. Jack and G. D. Clark, M.L.A., a deputation from the Good Templars.

Mr. Gow asked the co-operation of the Church for the removal of the greatest curse of the colony, namely, the drink traffic. Nothing hindered the work of the Local Option League so much as the seeming indifference of Christians.

Mr. G. D. Clark spoke on behalf of the Good Templars.

On the motion of the Rev. J. W. Inglis, seconded by the Rev. C. Crane, the assembly recorded its gratification with the good work reported to them by the gentlemen who had addressed them, and thanked them for the addresses delivered; and assured them of its thorough sympathy with every earnest effort made for the restriction of the drink traffic and for the amelioration of the many evils arising therefrom.

The members of the deputations were then formally thanked by the Moderator on behalf of the assembly.

A deputation from the Bush Missionary Society was introduced to the Moderator, and Mr. JOSEPH PALMER addressed the assembly, sketching the work of the society and putting forth its claims on all Christian churches.

The Rev. J. WALKER moved and the Rev. W. M. DILL-MACKY seconded "That the assembly thanks the deputation for its presence, thanks Mr. J. Palmer for his address; expresses its interest in the valuable spiritual work of the Bush Missionary Society, and commends it to the sympathy and liberality of Presbyterians of the colony."

The motion was agreed to.

The members of the deputation were then formally thanked by the Moderator on behalf of the assembly.

WOMEN'S WORK IN THE CHURCH.

The discussion on the overture anent women's work in the Church, transmitted *simpliciter* from the Presbytery of Sydney, was continued by the Revs. G. M'Innes, W. M. Dill Macky, J. Auld, W. S. Frackelton, and W. G. Maconochie. The Rev. J. Walker replied at some length.

The following motion moved by the Rev. J. WALKER,—"Receive the report, remit the overture to a committee of assembly to fully consider the question of officially recognising and organising women workers in the Church, and further, to draw up a careful statement of the position and work of women workers in the Church and report to next assembly"—was carried by 25 votes to 11 votes.

The assembly, at 10.5 p.m., adjourned till 10 o'clock this morning.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

The following announcements appeared in the *Government Gazette* issued on Tuesday:—

APPOINTMENT.—Mr. W. Larkin to be second lieutenant in the Picton Company, Mounted Infantry Regiment.

TENDERS ACCEPTED.—The following tenders have been accepted by the Railway Commissioners for the supply of the undermentioned articles from the 1st July, 1892, to the 30th June, 1893:—Dynon, Sons, and Co., tumblers and water bottles; J. Morrison, barrows and ladders; J. Morrison, carriage fittings; Ludowici and Son, Limited, leather and grindery; Briscoe, Drysdale, and Co., iron and steel plates, chains, &c.; Briscoe, Drysdale, and Co., plumbers and gasfitters' ironmongery; Briscoe, Drysdale, and Co., general ironmongery; Briscoe, Drysdale, and Co., signal and fencing wire; Briscoe, Drysdale, and Co., machine and boiler fittings; M'Lean Bros. and Rigg, oils and colours; M'Lean Bros. and Rigg, ship chandlery; M'Lean Bros. and Rigg, soap and candles; M'Lean Bros. and Rigg, grindstones; John Keep and Sons, handles; John Keep and Sons, weighing machines; John Keep and Sons, brushware, No. 2; Holdsworth, M'Pherson, and Co., filters; C. Schmidt, glass; D. Hardie and Co., canvas goods; Glover Bros., millet brooms and whisks; R. L. Scrutton and Co., iron and brass founders' stores; Farmer and Co., bedding; Perdriau and Co., indiarubber goods; S. Diva, firebricks and clay; Gordon Emery, &c., Company, emery cloth; T. Wearne, fireproof safes; J. Eastwood, brushware, No. 1; B. Byrnes, coke and breeze; Cecil Hordern, drapery; A. Ballantine, clocks and watches; Sydney Fuel Company, Smith's coal. Department of Public Works.—Carter and Co., construction of main outfall sewer, North Sydney, contract No. 79, Sydney sewerage; M. Doheny, erection of bridge, Cromarty's Creek, road Raymond Terrace to Stroud; Turnell and Barber, erection of station buildings, &c., Hermitage Plains, Bobby Mountain, and Cobar, on railway Nyngan to Cobar; Kauri Timber Company, Limited, supply of kauri, Sydney district, from 8th March to 31st December, 1892; Whalley and Telfer, supply, &c., hot water apparatus, Darlinghurst Gaol; J. and J. Carter, erection of bridge over creek on road from Galong to Burrowa; N. Cohen, erection of footbridge, Mann River, at Shannon Vale.

MARRIAGES.—The undermentioned officiating minister has been registered for the celebration of marriages:—Church of England, diocese of Goulburn, Rev. G. P. Metcalfe, residence Wagga Wagga.

CATTLE DRIVING.—It has been decided that the Act of Council 16 Victoria No. 23, for preventing cattle being driven through populous towns and places except within certain hours, shall apply to the town of Moama.

PARLIAMENTARY USAGES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—A curious usage is in vogue at our Parliament, where democracy is said to hatch its democratic laws, and where extreme formality finds no place in the methods of labour members. But there seems to be an aristocracy which hovers about the door of the vestibule, to the great annoyance of people who may have business with members. Any individual of the State who may attend with the hope of seeing a member of Parliament on business is, on his attempting to enter the vestibule, ordered out with a hauteur that would do credit to "Jeames" in his balmiest days. Having occasion to see a member of Parliament on business, I attended at the House, and on attempting to enter the vestibule was interrogated by one in uniform, who bade me stand out at the door, and await until a card had been sent in for the particular member. Soon the janitor appeared, calling out in stentorian tones, Mr. So and So's friend (meaning the member's friend), and entreating him from the street door to come and see his friend. Well, it struck me as curious that one of the public could not be allowed to await in the vestibule (or let some accommodation be provided for the public) for his friend the legislator without the imperative interruption of those gentlemen of the doors. The conduct of these people towards the public is strangely in contrast with the deference they pay to the merest labour member, or indeed to anyone who can bring their manners under notice. I do not know what is the custom in these matters, but I do think that the public who bear the burden of the establishment in Macquarie-street ought to be provided with some little convenience under such circumstances.

I am, &c., BETA.

THE WATER AND SEWERAGE BOARD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I understand changes are contemplated in the *personnel* of the above board; but, before anything definite is carried out, those interested should be in possession of sound and solid reasons why. For instance, it is proposed to dispose of the present chairman, and amalgamate his office with the duties of an almost entirely separate service. I maintain the management of the Water and Sewerage Board should be "as it was intended"—beyond political influence, and the office of chairman filled by one competent (no makeshift), who will devote his whole time to the duties. This cheeseparing policy of certain members of Parliament should not be allowed to pass unnoticed. Retrenchment is all very well when properly applied, but certainly not in crowding upon the heads of departments additional work when they are supposed to have their hands full. Proxy management is a farce. However, I leave the matter in abler hands than mine.

I am, &c., ALDERMAN.

March 14.

WESLEYAN CONFERENCE.

THIRTEENTH DAY.—WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16.

The President took the chair at 10 o'clock.

After devotions, the daily record was adopted and confirmed.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

By the Rev. G. R. Glasson,—"That this conference direct all ministers and probationers in charge of circuits to ascertain and report to a small committee to be hereafter appointed the total annual amounts paid in their respective circuits for the insurance of our connexional property, such report to be made not later than the 31st July proximo, and that the committee shall prepare and submit to the district meetings associated with the New South Wales Conference, a statement embodying the information so obtained, with a view to considering the advisability or otherwise of forming a connexional insurance society."

COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was read from the secretary of the council of the Churches respecting the desirability of constituting a council of public morals in which the various Churches could be represented, in order to secure united effort to restrain the desecration of the Sabbath and to deal with other social evils and vices. It was resolved to defer the matter for consideration at a later session. A communication was also received from the Bush Mission Society, requesting permission to send a deputation to the conference for the purpose of explaining and advocating the interests of the work of that society.

It was resolved to reply by letter declining to receive a deputation on the ground that pressure of conference business would not admit of devoting the time required to receive the deputation.

On the motion of the Rev. W. H. Beale a small committee was appointed to consider and report upon the finances of the Glen Innes Circuit.

DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE.

It was resolved that during the absence from conference of the Rev. Kirton A. Corner, chairman of the Goulburn district, the Rev. W. Woolls Rutledge should discharge the duties of his office. Attention having been drawn to the fact that several of the country representatives to the distribution committee were not now in conference, it was resolved to direct the chairman of districts to fill up all vacancies occurring on that committee from among the ministers and laymen still present at conference, and who belonged to their several districts.

LOAN FUND.

Mr. R. H. DUCKER presented the report of the loan fund for the past year, from which it appeared that the capital of the fund was £11,978. As this amount was all out at loan, without interest, it did not represent the real sum of money under their control each year. They merely disbursed again the sums remitted in repayment of loans previously made. It would be thus apparent that the long list of arrears to this fund which he had presented very prejudicially affected their operations.

Votes of thanks were tendered to Mr. R. H. Ducker for his services in connection with the fund, and to Rev. W. H. Rogers and Mr. G. Crawshaw for their services as auditors during the year.

The Rev. W. Clarke and Mr. R. H. Ducker were elected as treasurers to the loan fund for the ensuing year.

SUSTENTATION AND EXTENTION SOCIETY.

The Rev. Dr. SELLORS read a synopsis of the annual report and the minutes of the executive meetings held during the year. He moved the adoption of the report.

The Rev. J. E. CARRUTHERS seconded. He was glad to find in the report that the committee had at last enforced the law of their Church which requires that two-thirds of the amount required for the erection of a building should be in hand before the erection was commenced. He referred to the over-voting of money by the distribution committee, which he thought should be instructed to confine the sums voted to the amount in hand.

The Rev. Dr. SELLORS pointed out the advantage of the present method.

The Rev. G. LANE stated that if they were not permitted to anticipate income which was certain, hardship would be inflicted both upon circuits and churches.

The Rev. J. WOOLNOUGH took a similar view.

It was decided to defer the adoption of the report until the various items and recommendations should have been considered *seriatim*.

SPECIAL GRANTS.

It was resolved to remit the application for a parsonage grant for Inverell to the consideration of the distribution committee.

A special grant of £10 10s was directed to be made to cover the expense incurred for the funeral of the late Rev. Thos. Danson.

It was resolved to refer the proposed special grant of £50 for the Rev. H. Woodhouse to the favourable consideration of the distribution committee.

A similar decision was arrived at in connection with the application on behalf of East Maitland, Cowra, Port Macquarie, and Lismore circuits.

The distribution committee were also directed to make special grants to Revs. William Hill of £24, W. Wall of £36, and J. Clifton £10. The claim of the Rev. Lucas was remitted to the consideration of the committee. A special grant of £50 17s was directed to be made to the late secretary of the conference to reimburse him for expenses incurred on behalf of the last conference. Special sums were also voted to cover the expense incurred for arranging conference supplies to vacant stations during year as follows:—Hill End, £12 5s; Adelong, £8 10s; and £9 9s paid into the supernumerary fund on account of the Rev. G. Wright, who is in England.

The application for a special grant to Armidale parsonage trust of £100 was relegated to the consideration of the committee.

Upon a resolution moved by Rev. G. LANE, it was decided that in the case of those circuits which may decline to pay the removal expenses fund levy, the sums due shall be deducted from any grants recommended to be made to those circuits.

On a motion by Dr. SELLORS it was resolved that the treasurers of the sustentation fund should in future pay all accounts due for conference expenditure as they came to hand during the year.

QUEANBEYAN PARSONAGE.

On the motion of the Rev. K. A. CORNER the resolution of the Goulburn district meeting respecting the parsonage at Queanbeyan was adopted,—"That while recognising the fact that there has been an irregularity in connection with the purchase of the Queanbeyan parsonage, still having carefully investigated the case, and heard the statements of competent laymen as well as the superintendent of the circuit in reference thereto, we cordially recommend that sanction be given to the purchase as already arranged for, and usual grant as applied for."

The session adjourned at 1 p.m.

QUEENSLAND AFFAIRS.

The representative session resumed at 2 p.m., the Rev. J. A. Nolan, in the absence of the president, occupied the chair.

The Rev. H. YOUNGMAN presented the report of the home mission fund of Queensland.

After discussion it was adopted as read, and votes of thanks passed to the officers controlling its operation.

In the same connection the report of the Queensland loan fund was presented and adopted. Votes of thanks were passed to the officers directing the business of the loan fund during the year.

The Rev. R. Stewart, secretary for Queensland foreign missions, presented a report, and after consideration it was adopted and confirmed.

A vote of thanks having been passed to the secretary, he was reappointed to the office for another year.

It was resolved that the Queensland Conference shall meet in the Albert-street Church, Brisbane, on the first Thursday in the month, and that the representative session meet in the afternoon or the following Friday at the same place.

It was also resolved that the district meetings be held during the third week in November.

SALE OF LAND.

Permission was given to sell land at Pittsworth to the extent of five acres. Permission was renewed to sell property in Albert-street, Brisbane, subject to the approval of the Queensland home mission committee. Permission was given to sell land at North Rockhampton and at South Townsville, conditional upon approval of the home mission committee.

DELEGATING POWERS.

A committee, consisting of Revs. W. Clarke, J. A. Nolan, Geo. Lane, and H. Youngman, and Mr. W. Robson, was appointed to consider and prepare a resolution conferring any legislative powers it may be deemed necessary for this conference to transfer to the Queensland Conference, in order to facilitate the passing of an Act of Parliament dealing with Wesleyan Church property through the Legislature of that colony.

BOOK AFFAIRS.

The Rev. J. GERRARD MARTIN moved the adoption of the report of the Wesleyan Book Concern, of Queen-street, Brisbane.

A vote of thanks having been passed to the Rev. J. Gerrard Martin for his services as book steward, it was resolved that the Queensland book committee appoint a steward for the ensuing year, owing to the removal of Mr. Martin from Brisbane to Gympie circuit.

The various connexional committees were then appointed for Queensland during the next year.

The Conference adjourned at 6 p.m.

MINISTERIAL SESSION.

The ministerial conference resumed at 7 o'clock in the library of the hall, the president in the chair.

After devotions, Rev. J. G. M. Taylor read the daily record of last session, which was then adopted and confirmed.

PROBATIONERS EXAMINATIONS.

The Rev. E. J. Rodd read the report of the subcommittee appointed to revise the rules of examination provided for probationers. A number of resolutions amending the language of the regulations, and introducing additions, were carried.

The regulations were then adopted as a whole.

The Rev. H. Youngman, as convener, brought up the report of the committee appointed to make arrangements for the opening of the Queensland Conference. The following recommendation of the committee was adopted:—That one of the ex-presidents of the New South Wales Conference be appointed to preside at the opening of the Queensland Conference, also at the stationing and examining committee, to deliver the ordination charge, and to sit as an ex-president during the conference in the event of the president of the General Conference being unable to visit Queensland. There was a further recommendation to the effect that in the event of the president of the General Conference being unable to visit Queensland for the purpose indicated in the previous resolution, the Rev. Dr. Sellors be appointed to fill the position referred to. The ministers of the Brisbane, Toowong, Ipswich, and Toowoomba circuits, together with an equal number of laymen, be appointed as a committee to make all necessary arrangements for holding the conference. As an examining committee for Queensland for this year the superintendents of the Brisbane, Toowong, Ipswich, Toowoomba, Warwick, Rockhampton, Townsville, and Charters Towers circuits were appointed to act in conjunction with the New South Wales examining committee. Other matters in connection with the Queensland affairs were disposed of, and the conference adjourned at 9.30 p.m. until the following day.

TEMPERANCE DEMONSTRATION.

The annual temperance demonstration in connection with the Wesleyan conference was held in the Centenary Hall last night. In the absence of the president of the conference, the Rev. J. A. Nolan presided. There were on the platform the Revs. R. Bavin, J. Woodhouse, W. Jefferies, F. Duesbury, and Mr. Jacob Garrard, M.L.A. The lower part of the building was well filled, notwithstanding the inclement weather.

The Rev. J. A. Nolan said there was no truth in the charge that the Churches were oblivious to the great interests centred in the work of temperance reform. This meeting was only an indication of the great sympathy felt by the Church towards every true social reform. The true socialism was the socialism of Christianity. This special feature of reform work touched most vitally every acute form of social distress. For this reason it was desirable that their efforts to organise the children and to assist the work of temperance societies should be unrelaxed.

The Rev. J. Woodhouse moved,—"That this meeting, believing in the right of the people to legislate on the drink traffic, and realising the great necessity for such legislation, urges upon the present Government the speedy passing of a full local option bill." He referred to the great advantage to the cause of temperance resulting from the labours of such men as Dr. Richardson, Sir Wilfrid Lawson, and the Rev. Charles Garrett, not to mention the services of noble women workers, all of whom might be termed specialists in temperance work. But without being a specialist one could support the above resolution most heartily. The people had an indisputable right to legislate for the regulation and restriction of the drink traffic, or any other traffic that might be proved hurtful to the public welfare. The drink traffic existed for the people, and not the people for the drink traffic. But, whilst nobody would dispute this right, it was manifest that people generally did not rise up and claim the exercise of that right. Were they to do so, legislators would be at once compelled to act in accordance with the public demand. The necessity for such legislation became daily more and more urgent. Restriction of the traffic could hardly be expected to come from those immediately interested in it; and certainly the victims of intemperance would not come to their own help in the matter. The Government assumes the care of lepers, it takes measures for the protection of the public health in a variety of ways, and there are numberless reasons why it should step in to protect the public from the pernicious effects of this traffic. The speaker then urged some reasons for legislation from a religious standpoint. But whilst urging upon the Government that speedy action should be taken, they as Christian workers should not wait for the Legislature. Still, remembering that intemperance was one branch only of the great trunk evil of sin, it was their duty to continue grappling with it as they attacked the stronghold of evil in the human heart. It was desirable that all effort for temperance, whether political or social, should be lifted into the lofty region of Christian self-sacrifice. The figures recently published as to the drink bill of the colony all pointed to the necessity for more earnest, enthusiastic, and judicious work on the part of every patriotic and Christian citizen.

Mr. Jacob Garrard, M.L.A., in seconding the motion, said they were there to advocate not merely temperance, but the principle of total abstinence. The section of the Christian Church to which he had the honour to belong was not at all uncertain as to the attitude it should take on this question. They were in the forefront of the reform everywhere. There was a vast advance in the public sentiment in regard to this question. Twenty years ago, when working at his trade, they would have had to use a microscope to find a total abstainer. Now, if not a majority, total abstainers were certainly a very large minority there. They owed a great debt of gratitude to the old veteran statesman, Sir Henry Parkes—(cheers)—for having given to them a nucleus as a beginning of legislation in the direction they desired. He was very much afraid that the elections of a few months ago had put back the further extension of this legislation. (A Voice: "No.") He was aware that his friend, Mr. Kidd, had undertaken to present such a bill to Parliament, but he had a gigantic task to carry the Cabinet Ministers with him. He believed the bill would never become law whilst the present Ministry remained in office. He would, however, do all that lay in his power to help on the proposed bill, and though he did not anticipate success, it would not be for lack of what he could do to assist it onwards. (Hear, hear.) They owed a great debt to women workers for their efforts in educating the public mind. Women ought to have the right to vote on this question. No local option bill would be just which did not make this provision. (Cheers.) He did not propose to wait until the enfranchisement of women was granted as a principle. He claimed it as a right belonging to them in respect to this question. The traffic in drink caused them (the women) above all other sections of the public to suffer most. Affecting them, as it certainly did, most injuriously, they ought to have an opportunity of saying whether it should exist or not. Would his temperance friends bear with him whilst he said something with which they might disagree? He had heard of some temperance folk who were going straight for prohibition. (Cheers.) Well, prohibition was doubtless the right thing. But total prohibition of the liquor traffic was not the practical thing just now. He was a practical politician, and as such he believed some well-meaning temperance people were making a serious error. They were throwing away what was certainly a progressive steps towards the goal of prohibition for an aim which, however desirable in itself, was not yet within the scope of practical legislation. Let them accept all the advances possible, and make every advance secured a basis of new agitation, but on no account discard the practicable for that which at present was unattainable.

The Revs. W. Jefferies, of Queensland, and J. S. Austin, of Sydney, also addressed the meeting, presenting at length the religious aspect of temperance reform, and appealing to the audience for sympathy and help in temperance work.

The motion was carried, and votes of thanks were accorded to the speakers and the chairman.

The meeting was brought to a conclusion a little after 9.30 p.m.

Auction Sales.

INGLIS and SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.

THIS DAY, at half-past 10 a.m. sharp.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, the following:—

At half-past 10 o'clock,
Vans, springcarts, horses, and harness
Draught horses, tipdrays, and harness.

At 12 o'clock,
Superior draught mares and geldings
Well-bred saddle and harness horses
Van, 'bus, and saddle horses.

TO DAIRY PROPRIETORS and PRIVATE BUYERS.

INGLIS'S WEEKLY MILCH COW SALE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, March 17, at half-past 10 o'clock,
On account of Messrs. S. M. Minn, D. Bufflere, Macintosh Bros., Thos. Briggs, and other owners.
80 first-class milch cows in full milk, with young calves at foot, selected for the Sydney market from the best dairies in the Southern and Hunter districts.

Also, at half-past 3 o'clock,
80 first-class dry cattle.

BUTCHERS. BUTCHERS. BUTCHERS.

INGLIS'S WEEKLY STOCK SALE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Saleyards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, March 17, at half-past 1 o'clock,
40 extra prime fat calves, per rail from Harden
35 ditto ditto, from Mittagong
50 ditto, from Picton and Camden
60 prime fat pigs, from Bega and Eden
100 ditto, from Harden
80 ditto, from Picton and Burragorang
65 ditto, from Camden
45 ditto, suburban lots
80 first-class store pigs.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

AT CAMPERDOWN YARDS.
FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1892,
at half-past 2 o'clock p.m.,
80 DRAUGHT COLTS and FILLIES.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN, Limited, have received instructions to sell by auction, at Camperdown, as above,
On Account James Fletcher, Esq., Ballandean, Queensland,
80 head active draught colts and fillies.

PRELIMINARY ADVERTISEMENT.

JOSEPH LEEDS and CO. have received instructions from E. C. Cousens, Esq., to sell by public auction, Without Reserve, during the forthcoming Randwick Autumn Meeting,
The whole of his racehorses now in full training, including
Fog
Charon
Sluggard
Gipsy Girl
Linnet
Ethel.

Full particulars in a future issue.

80 HEAD OF COLTS AND FILLIES.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. George Dunn, Crystal Brook, to sell by auction, at the Camperdown Yards, on THURSDAY, March 24, at 2.30 o'clock,
80 head of colts and fillies, direct from the breeder.

KISS'S LIVERY AND BAIT STABLES.

GEORGE KISS begs to notify to his constituents and the public generally that his LIVERY YARD, Castlereagh-street, will be always open, both day and night.

THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern'n. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

CENTRAL CUMBERLAND SHOW,
PARRAMATTA.
ST. PATRICK'S DAY.
Special Trains right on to the ground.
PICNICKING GALORE!

HORSES, VEHICLES, and HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
All lots not specially advertised.
And at 12 o'clock,
All lots specially advertised.
Regular Sales at the Bazaar daily, and at Camperdown or elsewhere any afternoon.
LIVERY.—In this department charges moderate and best of forage.

THOROUGHBRED COLT.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. J. M'Cahon, Esq., Bega, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt and Castlereagh streets, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Black colt, rising 4, broken to saddle, by Tantawanglo, by Yattendon, from Lady Belmore by Kingston (imp.), from England's Beauty. His dam, by Ivory's Old Maske, g dam by Old Millionaire (imp.).

PAIR OF PONIES FROM GRAFTON.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. H. E. Ryan, Grafton, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt and Castlereagh streets, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
A pair of very handsome cream ponies (geldings and full brothers), run splendidly together, are very quiet, and both ride.

2 ST. BERNARD PUPS.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt and Castlereagh streets, TO-MORROW, Friday, at 1 o'clock,
2 first-class St. Bernard pups, 2 months old, and from well-bred stock.

THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern'n. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

WEEKLY STOCK SALE.

ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Sydney Stock Saleyards, AT THE REAR OF 791 GEORGE-STREET SOUTH, ENTRANCE VALENTINE-LANE, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
Milch cows, springers, and dry cattle.

At half-past 2 o'clock,
Fat calves, lambs, pigs, and store pigs
36 prime fat calves, from Moorilda
30 prime fat calves, ex rail
80 prime corn-fed porkers, from Burragorang
70 prime corn-fed porkers, from Camden
60 prime corn-fed porkers, ex rail
90 prime corn-fed bacon pigs, from Moss Vale
100 superior store pigs, from Tarana
100 superior store pigs, from Oberon.

At half-past 3 o'clock,
Fat sheep and cattle.

BUTCHERS. BUTCHERS. BUTCHERS.

TENTERFIELD CHILLED MEAT.

F. W. HUDSON will sell, at the Government Meat Market, at Pyrmont, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
150 quarters of Tenterfield beef.
100 carcases of Tenterfield mutton.

TRADE NOTICE.

GEORGE MAIDEN (for Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited) will sell by auction, at Homebush, on THIS DAY, 17th instant, at 10 o'clock,
500 prime fat sheep, for Messrs. M. P. Fitzgerald and Co., Fort Bourke
800 prime fat sheep, for Messrs. Donnelly and Co., Bywong
900 prime fat sheep, for D. Fitzpatrick, Esq., Tarang.

GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, and CO., Limited, will sell by public auction, at the Chamber of Commerce, THIS DAY,
At 2 p.m., butts and bags wool
At 2.30 p.m., 1327 bales wool.
Terms, Cash.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN, Limited, will sell by public auction, at the Homebush Saleyards, THIS DAY, 17th March, 1892, at the usual hour,
158 prime fat bullocks, for J. R. Jones, Esq.
900 prime fat sheep, for Mrs. M. A. Strickland, by rail
500 prime fat sheep, for E. M. Bowman, Esq., rail
100 prime fat sheep, for Messrs. J. and H. Beadle, by rail.

FAT CALVES. FAT CALVES.

HILL, CLARK, and CO. will sell by auction, at the Corporation Yards, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 10 o'clock sharp,
40 very nice young calves.

HOMEBUSH FAT STOCK SALES.

THIS DAY, MARCH 17, 1892.

HILL, CLARK, and CO. will sell by auction, as above,
187 prime fat cattle for Messrs. E. Vickery and Sons, Mungyar
100 prime fat cattle for Messrs. Brown and Kendall, The Macquarie
42 prime fat cattle on account the Trustees in the estate late J. R. Smart, Dulwich
80 prime fat cattle for S. H. H. Goodwin, Esq., Gunnedah
37 prime fat cattle for Messrs. Chambers and Co., Genrie
10 prime fat cattle for Western Agents, Nevertire
1700 prime fat sheep for A. D. Wiseman, Esq., Nourabie
800 prime fat sheep for D. R. Cameron, Esq., Taralga
600 prime fat sheep for Messrs. Cobb and Co., Hereford
500 prime fat sheep for W. F. Whitney, Esq., Coombing Park
500 prime fat sheep for P. A. Lamb, Esq., Tottenham Park
200 prime fat sheep for E. Y. Kirkman, Esq., Willow Park
100 prime fat sheep for W. A. Cartwright, Esq., Bungendore
100 prime fat sheep for W. H. Platt, Esq., Carcoar
100 prime fat sheep for W. Taylor, Esq., Tarana.

HOMEBUSH FAT STOCK SALES.

THIS DAY, March 17, 1892.

J. C. YOUNG and CO. will sell by auction as above, at usual hour,
30 prime fat cattle for William R. Smith, Esq., Branxton
10 prime fat cattle for Northern agents
100 prime fat sheep for John Soden, Esq., Athlone
120 prime fat lambs for A. N. Tindale, Esq., Bylong.

FAT STOCK FOR THURSDAY'S SALE.

JOSEPH LEEDS and CO. will sell by auction, at Homebush, THIS DAY, Thursday, the 17th instant,
214 prime fat cattle, for Northern agents, by road
120 prime fat cattle, for W. A. Gardiner, Esq., Ellengerah
1100 extra-prime fat wethers, for Messrs. M'Master Brothers, Rockgedgiel
1000 prime fat sheep, for Messrs. J. Robertson and Co., Jandra
700 prime fat sheep, for W. Bowen, Esq., Bowen Park
700 prime fat sheep, for W. Wellmann, Esq., Ariah
800 prime fat sheep, for H. Colless, Esq., Bourke
800 prime fat sheep, for E. Pratt, Esq., Myalla
800 prime fat sheep, for D. M'Donald, Esq., Clifford's Creek
400 prime fat sheep, for J. Wood, Esq., Nara
400 prime fat sheep, for the Rosebrook Estate, Cooma
300 prime fat sheep, for C. W. Cuninghame, jun., Esq., Oberon
100 prime fat sheep, for T. B. Webb, Esq., Sydmouth Valley
100 prime fat sheep, for W. Fitzpatrick, Esq., Hazelgrove.

METROPOLITAN Meat M'ket, Hay-st.—Auct'n sale THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock; beef, mutton, pigs.

NEALE and BEGGS will sell by public auction, THIS DAY, Thursday, 17th March, at 3 o'clock, at the City Coal Company's Yard, at the risk and expense of the former purchaser, about 150 tons, more or less, of slack coal.

Terms, Cash.
NEALE and BEGGS,
Auctioneers,
Thomas-street,
Haymarket.

FAT CATTLE and SHEEP.

HOMEBUSH, THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock,

PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, will sell by auction as above,
182 prime fat cattle for Mr. Thomas Cook, Drildool
100 ditto ditto ditto for Northern agents
50 ditto ditto ditto for A. A. Company, Warrah
30 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. J. A. Gardiner, Gobolion
97 ditto ditto ditto, for Messrs. Capel Bros., Gorran
2071 ditto ditto sheep for Messrs. Sumner and Benn, Bugilbone
2000 ditto ditto ditto for Mrs. E. J. Glass, Eury Eury
1400 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. Thomas Cook, Drildool
500 ditto ditto ditto for Messrs. Waugh, Stanbridge, and Waugh, Gogeldri
800 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. P. H. Throsby, Throsby Park
500 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. Robert M'Intyre, Glenfield
400 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. F. F. Gibson, Tirranna
200 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. J. N. Gilmour, Bathampton
200 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. G. W. Daniel, Foxlow
200 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. A. W. Holt, Wingello Park
100 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. P. Callaghan, Ilford
200 ditto ditto ditto for Messrs. Hickey Bros., Menangle
100 ditto ditto lambs for Mr. J. A. Badgery, Ivy Hall
100 ditto ditto ditto, for Messrs. H. and J. Oxley, Wingecarribbee
100 ditto ditto ditto for Mr. C. J. West, Brewongle.

WILKINSON, LAVENDER, and CHAPMAN will sell at the Municipal Yards, Homebush, THIS DAY, 17th instant, at usual hours,
1100 fat sheep, for Western agents, by rail
500 fat sheep, for F. B. Blomfield, Esq., by rail
300 fat sheep, for Messrs. H. and C. Douglas, by rail.

MONDAY, MARCH 21, at 11 o'clock.

UNRESERVED SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
on the Premises,
ROBERT-STREET, MARRICKVILLE, of
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, comprising

Half-Tester Bedsteads and Bedding, Bedroom Suite, Wardrobe, Chests Drawers, Overmantels, Carpets, Oilcloths, Card Table, Dining and Dressing Tables, Austrian Chairs, Electroplate, Cutlery, Ornaments, Breakfast and Dinner Service, Crockery, House Linen, Venetian Blinds, Curtains, Safes, Dresser, Kitchen Utensils, Garden Tools, Carpenter's Bench and Tools, Hand Truck, and Sundries, &c., &c.

D. B. HARRISON has received instructions from the Proprietor, who is leaving the district, to sell the above by public auction, on the Premises, Robert-street, Marrickville, half-way between Dulwich Hill and Marrickville Tram Terminus.

Auctioneer's Address—Lackey-street, Summer Hill.

In the Metropolitan, Suburban, and Hunter District Court, holden at Sydney.
SUTTOR v. SUTTOR.

ON THURSDAY, the 17th day of March, 1892, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to a writ of fieri facias issued in this cause, unless the same be previously satisfied, the goods and chattels of the abovenamed defendant, viz.:—Household furniture, &c., &c., will be sold by public auction, at Bourke-street, Redfern.

Dated this sixteenth day of March, 1892.
J. BISHOP,
Bailiff.

READ ADVT. OF BERNARA SALE.
10-ACRE BLOCKS NEAR LIVERPOOL.
DAY OF SALE, SATURDAY, 19th MARCH.
GET PLANS and PARTICULARS.
BE THERE WITHOUT FAIL.
SCRIVENER and SON, Liverpool, and
6 Central Arcade, Sydney.

CONVEYANCES will meet at LIVERPOOL TRAINS LEAVING SYDNEY at 8.57 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., and 1.50 p.m., to convey intending purchasers FREE.

THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern'n. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 a.m.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT and VERY ATTRACTIVE SALE BY AUCTION.
AT THE MANSE, WYALONG-STREET, BURWOOD.
MAGNIFICENT FURNITURE and EFFECTS
of most modern type, nearly new, and in tiptop order.

ELEGANT MODERN DRAWING-ROOM SUITE of 8 PIECES, highly finished walnut frames and best silk tapestry
PRETTY ROSEWOOD SETTEE and CHAIR, very recherché
WICKER FANCY CHAIRS, very choice
MAGNIFICENT WALNUT CABINET, BEAUTIFULLY FITTED
UNIQUE WALNUT SECRETAIRE and CABINET COMBINED
GRAND QUALITY WALNUT OVERMANTEL
ELEGANT and EXPENSIVE AXMINSTER CARPET SQUARE, 18 x 10, of unusually fine quality and design
The SPLENDID BOOKCASES and SHELVES SPECIALLY SUITED for clergymen, solicitors, merchants, &c.
HANDSOME CEDAR PEDESTAL WRITING-DESK, REVOLVING CHAIR
LUXURIOUS EASY CHAIR, in UTRECHT VELVET
MASSIVE WALNUT DINING TABLE, ext. 10ft., with PATENT SCREW
MAGNIFICENT WALNUT SIDEBOARD, BEAUTIFULLY CARVED DOORS and plateglass panels and back, and splendidly fitted
HANDSOME DINNER WAGGON, in WALNUT
First-class AMERICAN ORGAN, by Smith Organ Co.
SPLENDID STAIR CARPET and RODS
FIRST-CLASS LINOLEUMS
HIGH-CLASS ENAMELLED and BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEADS, Sanitary WIRE MATTRESSES, best Horsehair and Kapok BEDDING
SPLENDID BEDROOM SUITES, in various styles—in Walnut and Ash, and very highest quality and finish
LOVELY TOILET SERVICES, in Limoges China
FINE WARDROBE, TOILETS
AUSTRIAN FURNITURE
CHAIRS, LOUNGE
REFRIGERATOR, FINE MANGLE
GAS STOVE
GRAND DRESSER, 10ft. long
All KITCHEN, LAUNDRY, and PANTRY REQUISITES, and
SUNDRIES of every description.

STRONGMAN and CO., the well-known Suburban Auctioneers, beg to intimate that they have instructions from Rev. ALEX. OSBORNE, who is leaving for Scotland, to sell on the Premises,
The ELEGANT EFFECTS.
Catalogues can be obtained at the Residence, or at the Auctioneers' Offices,
Railway Parade, Burwood Station.

BANKRUPT ESTATE of J. B. BLACK, of ULTIMO.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 2.30 p.m.
On the PREMISES, HARRIS-STREET, ULTIMO.
BY ORDER OF THE OFFICIAL ASSIGNEE.

2 DRAUGHT HORSES
VAN, SPRINGCART
2 SETS of HEAVY HARNESS
COAL BAGS, SACKS
STACKS OF COAL.

C. F. W. LLOYD will sell by auction, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 2.30 p.m., on the Premises, Harris-street, Ultimo, adjoining Farmers' Association,
The above, without reserve. Terms, Cash.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 274 Pitt-street,
The unredeemed Clothing pledged with Mr. I. Phillips, of Elizabeth-street, Strawberry Hills, consisting of clothing, boots, blankets, &c.

TO-MORROW, Friday, at 11 o'clock,

Highly Important and Imperative Unreserved Sale by Auction of
Superior HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
On the Premises, Braylesford, Mill Hill-road, Waverley.

JOHN P. LISTER has received instructions from the proprietor, who is leaving the colony, to submit by public auction TO-MORROW, Friday, at 11 o'clock,
The whole of his very superior household furniture, comprising—Pianoforte, in ebonised frame, with latest improvements by Ehrbar, a splendid toned instrument; drawing, dining, and bed room furniture, kitchen and laundry requisites, electroplated ware, china and glass ware of the quality.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

To Parties Furnishing, Furniture Brokers, and others.
At the LABOUR BAZAAR AUCTION ROOMS,
247A Pitt-street.

ALEXANDER MOORE and CO. will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at the above Rooms,
A large and varied assortment of superior household furniture and effects
First-class pianofortes, in ebonised and walnut frames, drawing-room suites
Dining-room suites, covered in leather
Sideboards, dining tables, bedroom suites, duchesse toilets and ware, chests of drawers, wardrobes, p.g. doors
Half-tester double and single brass-mounted bedstead, h.h. kapok, and flock beds, Austrian chairs, chiffonier, carpets, linoleum, ornaments, kitchen and culinary requisites, &c., &c.
JOHN P. LISTER, Auctioneer and Valuator.

TO BARRISTERS and SOLICITORS.

THIS DAY, March 17, at 2 p.m. Important Unreserved Auction Sale of VALUABLE LAW BOOKS and Office Furniture, comprising Cole on Ejectment, Bullen and Leake's Pleading 1868, Supreme Court and N.S.W. Law Reports and Weekly Notes of N.S.W., &c.

WM. CRANE, Jun. (No. 5 Temple-court, King-street), will sell the above by auction, on the premises, 54 Elizabeth-street, near Wentworth-court. Catalogues on application.

THE SALE of Building Materials advertised for Friday, at Bathurst-street, has been POSTPONED till MONDAY Next, the 21st instant, at 11 a.m.
WM. CRANE, Jun., Auctioneer.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18.

FANCY GOODS SALE.
150 HALF-CHESTS and 85 BOXES TEA.
QUARTERS and HALF BOXES NAVY LIGHTS TOBACCO.
BOTTLED ALE, &c., &c.

Brush and E.P. Ware, Soaps, Perfumery, Cutlery, Basket Goods, Novels, Play Cards, Suites, Albums, Glass and Earthen Ware, &c., &c.

JAMES RODD and CO. will sell by auction, at their Rooms, 7 Wynyard-street, TO-MORROW, Friday, Tea, at 12 prompt.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, MARCH 18, at 2.30 p.m.

HIGHLY INTERESTING NOTICE
to
LOVERS OF LITERATURE,
Curiosity-seekers, &c.
UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION,
at the
OLD BANK AUCTION ROOMS,
322 George-street,
VALUABLE LIBRARY OF BOOKS,
formerly the property of the late Mr. Stephen Campbell Brown, and embracing some
RARE OLD WORKS ON THE COLONY.
Also some
VERY SUPERIOR ELECTROPLATE,
Carvers in case, Cut Glassware, Hand-painted Sevres China,
Indian and other Curtains.
SPLENDID HOUSE LINEN.
Also, many Valuable and Rare Sundries, including a valuable old Oil Painting, "The Expulsion from Eden," Ladies' Fans.
INDIAN and BRUSSELS SILK LACE.
Bison and other Rugs, and a
GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF CURIOS.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have pleasure in announcing to collectors of art, lovers of literature, and the general public that they have been favoured with instructions from a well-known collector of art to conduct the above highly interesting sale by auction, at their Sale Rooms, 322 George-street,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 18th MARCH,
at 2.30 p.m.

On VIEW. Inspection invited.

CATALOGUES forwarded on application to the Auction Rooms.

TERMS, CASH.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, at 11 a.m.

MOST IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE
by PUBLIC AUCTION at
THE OLD BANK AUCTION ROOMS,
322 GEORGE-STREET,
opposite Messrs. Peapes and Co.,
on the above date.

MASSIVE CUT GLASSWARE.
SUPERIOR ELECTROPLATE.
HAND-PAINTED CHINA.
PICTURES and OVERMANTELS.
CARPETS and RUGS.
DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE.
SPLENDID PIANOFORTES.
DRAWING-ROOM ELEGANCIES.
SUPERIOR BEDROOM SUITES.
BEDSTEADS and BEDDING.
OTHER HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. will conduct the above important sale on
SATURDAY NEXT, MARCH 19,
at 11 a.m.

SUMMER HILL.

FRIDAY, 18th MARCH, at 11 o'clock.
To Dairymen, Horse Dealers, Vanmen, Householders, and others.
SALE BY AUCTION,
at corner St. David's and Parramatta Roads, Summer Hill, opposite Ashfield Park,
THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS,
Bedsteads, Tables, Austrian Furniture, Chest of Drawers, Dresser, Ice Chests, Oilcloth, &c.
Also, DAIRY and Utensils; BUTTER CART, SPLENDID MARE, quiet and sound, 16 hands, 4 years old; 2 DRAUGHT HORSES; 1 MILCH COW (1 month calved), 13½ quarts daily; TIP DRAY, 2 Sets of Harness, nearly new; Sundries, &c.

STANTON and SON have been favoured with instructions from Mr. Patterson to sell as above without the slightest reserve.
STANTON and SON,
Auctioneers, Summer Hill.

GROCERS, DEALERS, &c.

F. W. H. PEARCE has been favoured with instructions from the Trustees of the Assigned Estate of GRAWMANN and LINDSAY, General Storekeepers, AVOCA-STREET, RANDWICK, to sell by auction, WITHOUT RESERVE, on TUESDAY, the 22nd MARCH, at 11 o'clock,
The whole of the stock, comprising GROCERIES, IRONMONGERY, CROCKERYWARE, Fancy Goods, STATIONERY, FIXTURES, and FITTINGS, &c., &c.

SPORT FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY.—Attend Warwick Farm Races To-day. No postponement. Only coast rain; plenty in Sydney, but very little at Liverpool. Course in splendid order. Special trains, 12, 12.25, 12.40. Roll up ye sons of Ireland.

BRING YOUR CHILDREN! BRING YOUR CHILDREN!
CENTRAL CUMBERLAND SHOW,
PARRAMATTA.
JUMPING and TROTTING for HORSES and PONIES TO-DAY, and FRIDAY, and SATURDAY.

THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern'n. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

THIS DAY, MARCH 17, at 11 a.m.

FOR POSITIVE SALE BY AUCTION,
under instructions from the
TRUSTEES in the Assigned Estate of a
SUBURBAN STOREKEEPER.

The whole of his Stock of
BOOTS and SHOES,
DRAPERY and CLOTHING, FANCY GOODS,
CROCKERY, CHINA,
&c., &c.

Removed to the Rooms for convenience of buyers.

The Stock comprises
BOOTS and SHOES, Patent Calf, Button and Strap Shoes, Balmorals, Ladies' Levant Balmorals, Oxford Shoes, Court Shoes, Levant Shoes, Glacé E.S., Girls' and Boys' Slippers, &c., &c.

DRAPERY and CLOTHING, White, Crimean, Cotton, and Flannelette Shirts, Flannel Undershirts and Pants, Merino and Cotton Hose, Calicoes, Felt Hats, Men's, Boys', and Youths' Suits, &c., &c.

FANCY GOODS.
CROCKERY.
CHINAWARE,
&c., &c., &c.
Also,
30 PIECES GREY CALICO.

To Boot and Shoe Manufacturers, Drapers, Fancy Goods Warehousemen, Dealers, &c., &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will SELL the above BY AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 199 PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, 17th MARCH, at 11 a.m.

TERMS AT SALE.

THIS DAY, MARCH 17, at 11 a.m.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION,
On account of whom it may concern.
10 Pieces WORSTED CORKSCREW COATING.
To Tailors, Woollen Merchants, Storekeepers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will SELL the above BY AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 199 PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, MARCH 17th, at 11 a.m.

TERMS AT SALE.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, at 11 a.m.

OPEN and DISPLAYED
SALE BY AUCTION
of
JAPANESE ART CURIOS.
Ex HIROSHIMA MARU, from Hongkong.

THE SHIPMENT comprises
BISHIN, KAGA, and IMARI WARE
PLATES, JARS, and VASES
CUPS and TEAPOTS
BISHIN HANGING VASES
Milk Jugs, Bowls, Strawberry Saucers
BRONZEWARE
Matchboxes, Kettles, Candlesticks
Double Ink Holders
SILK PHOTO. FRAMES
SILK FIRE SCREENS
Kaga Vases, Jars, Futamonas
Mugs, Ice Pails
Wastepaper Baskets
GROTESQUE TOYS
Spiders' Webs, Monkeys, Frogs, Skeletons
Small Birds, Cotton Spiders, Butterflies
Paper Serpents
FOUR-FOLD SCREENS, GOLD EMBOSSED DESIGNS on BLACK LINEN
Lacquered Egg-shaped Sweetmeat Futamonas
Lacquered Tobacco Boxes, Handkerchief Boxes
CUPS and SAUCERS in FINE EGGSHELL CHINA
Tortoiseshell Plates
Antimony Photo. Frames, Bronze Bonze
TEA SETS for 6 and 12 PERSONS.
Mari Vases, Celadon Crackle Sprinklers
KAGA VASES
Kaga Sprinklers, Saki Cups, Kaga Plates
CAMPHORWOOD CABINETS
Antimony Instands, Shell-shape Ash Saucers
LACQUERED DESKS, with SUNK PANELS
TETE-A-TETE SETS, in FINE EGGSHELL CHINA
&c., &c., &c.

To Fancy Goods Repositories, Storekeepers, Shippers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will SELL the above BY AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 199 PITT-STREET, on FRIDAY NEXT, 18th MARCH, at 11 a.m.

TERMS AT SALE.

The NEW AUCTION MART, 199 PITT-STREET.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, at 11 a.m.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.
Under instructions from the Importers.
47 Packages RATTAN FURNITURE,
comprising
SUITES,
OCCASIONAL CHAIRS,
GOSSIP CHAIRS,
TABLES, STOOLS,
LOUNGE CHAIRS,
DOUBLE CHAIRS,
&c., &c., &c.

To Furniture Warehousemen, Ladies and Gentlemen Furnishing, Country Buyers, and the Public generally.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will SELL the above by AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 199 PITT-STREET, on FRIDAY, MARCH 18th, at 11 a.m.
TERMS AT SALE.

THIS DAY, MARCH 17,

at
THE CITY MART,
at 11 o'clock.
STEAM LAUNCH "ORIEL,"
30ft. x 7ft. 8in. x 3ft. 3in.,
draws only 2ft. 6in., 5-h.p. boiler and engines, in good order.
Speed 7 to 8 miles.

This handy little boat is for absolute sale.

May be inspected at Gardiner's Wharf, Peacock's Point, Balmain.

FRASER and CO. will sell by auction, as above.
Particulars on application.

POSTPONED, owing to the large number of lots to be catalogued, till
THIS DAY, MARCH 17,
at 3 o'clock.

On the PREMISES, fronting COWPER WHARF, WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY.

UNDER A BILL OF SALE.

Important to Contractors, Timber Merchants, and Builders.

STOCK-IN-TRADE of
TIMBER, BUILDING MATERIALS, IRON DOORS, SCAFFOLD POLES, &c.
Also
MACHINERY, comprising 16-h.p. Engine and Boiler, Saw Benches, Breaking-down Saws, Planing Machines, Sash and Moulding Machines, Shafting and Belting complete for a large factory.

A Lease of Premises may be obtained at a Cheap Rental.

FRASER and CO. will sell by auction, on the premises lately known as Jones's Mills, as above.
Particulars at Sale.

SHIPMENT

of
GENT.'S
WATERPROOF COATS,
INVERNESS CAPES,
&c.,
All Latest Styles
and
Best Sewn Quality.
5 CASES.
To arrive ex
R.M.S. ARCADIA
IN A FEW DAYS.
FASHIONABLE GOODS FOR THE SEASON.
By order of Agents for Shippers.

FRASER and CO. will sell by auction as above, ON AN EARLY DAY after arrival of steamer.
Particulars Saturday's Herald.

Preliminary Announcement.

On WEDNESDAY, March 23, at 11 o'clock,
at
DOOHAT, ST. LEONARDS,
the
RESIDENCE of FRANCIS ADAMS, Esq.
Highly Important Unreserved Sale by Auction
of
THE WHOLE OF THE COSTLY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS,
comprising
CHOICE AUSTRIAN GLASS
HANDSOME DINNER SERVICE, decorated with rich Blue and Gold Ornamentation
VERY FINE WEDGWOOD DESSERT SET
COSTLY CROWN DERBY TEA SET
VERY LARGE and REMARKABLY HANDSOME EBONISED AMERICAN WALNUT SIDEBOARD
MASSIVE AMERICAN WALNUT BUFFET
ELEGANT DINING-ROOM FURNITURE
BRILLIANT-TONED DRAWING-ROOM GRAND PIANOFORTE
Choice Ornaments
HANDSOME BEDROOM SUITES
MASSIVE BEDSTEADS and SUPERIOR BEDDING.
VERY ELEGANT VICTORIA, built by Hooker and Co., the famous American Carriage Builders.
SOCIABLE, to carry 6 persons, built by Angus and Son.
FINE UPSTANDING BAY CARRIAGE HORSE, very quiet, accustomed to the trams.
VERY SUPERIOR ENGLISH-MADE HARNESS.
LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S SADDLES.

To Gentlemen Furnishing, Collectors, Furniture Brokers, and others.

NEWTON and LAMB have been favoured with instructions from FRANCIS ADAMS, Esq., in consequence of his projected departure for England, to sell by auction, at his residence, Doohat, St. Leonards, on WEDNESDAY, 23rd MARCH, at 11 o'clock,
The whole of his valuable and well-selected household furniture and effects.

TERMS, CASH.
Descriptive book catalogues in course of preparation.

ON VIEW TUESDAY, 22nd MARCH, and MORNING OF SALE.

READ ADVT. OF BERNARA SALE.
10-ACRE BLOCKS NEAR LIVERPOOL.
DAY OF SALE, SATURDAY, 19th MARCH.
GET PLANS and PARTICULARS.
BE THERE WITHOUT FAIL.
SCRIVENER and SON, Liverpool, and
6 Central Arcade, Sydney.

CONVEYANCES will meet at LIVERPOOL TRAINS LEAVING SYDNEY at 8.57 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., and 1.50 p.m., to convey intending purchasers FREE.

THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern'n. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

To Fancy Goods Warehousemen, Storekeepers, Dealers, and others.

UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION,
at the
ROOMS, 123 PITT-STREET,
on
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, MARCH 17,
at
11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

15 CASES MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS and TOYS, consisting of
Musical Boxes and Mechanical Toys, Squeakers, Dolls, Fans, Purses, Race Games, Dressed Dolls, Vases, Monkeys, Dominoes, Draughts, Ladies' Handbags, Back and Tooth Combs, Soap, Perfumery, Spoons and Forks, Stationery, Novels, Fancy Glassware, Albums, &c., &c.

DAVIS, MARKS, and CO. will sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 123 Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, March 17, at 11 o'clock sharp,
The above.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

To Wholesale and Retail China Warehousemen, Country Storekeepers, Shippers, and others.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.
AT THE ROOMS, 123 PITT-STREET.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, MARCH 18,
at
11 O'CLOCK SHARP.
THREE MAGNIFICENT SHIPMENTS
of
CHINAWARE, EARTHENWARE, and TOILETWARE,
just landed in good order and condition,
ex Gulf of Trinidad, Antiope, and Kelton,
consisting of
Hhds. W. and Gold China Cups and Saucers, Irish
Hhds. W. and G. Assorted Ware, fluted
Ditto ditto ditto, Paris
Ditto Chinaware, assorted, Celeste and Gold
Crates Printed Cups and Saucers, Irish size
Crates Band and Line Cups and S., Irish size
Crates Printed and Gilt Dinner Sets, 50 pieces
Crates Granite Cups and Saucers
Crates Printed Dinner Plates, 10in., assorted
Crates Blue and Pink Band and Line Plates, assorted
Crates Blue and Pink Band and Line Cover Dishes
Crates Printed Tea Sets, 44 pieces
Hhds. Printed Toilet Sets, 6 pieces
Crates Plain and Embossed Granite Toilet Sets
Crates White and Gold Granite Toilet Sets
Crates Printed Beatrice and Gilt, Enam. and Gilt Toilets, 9's
Crates Toilets, 9's, 6 pieces, Painted Lily, assorted
Crates Toilets, 9's, 6 pieces, Enam. Pink Band and Gold
Cases Cut Tumblers and Nobblers
Cases Vases, assorted
&c., &c.

DAVIS, MARKS, and CO. will sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 123 Pitt-street, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, March 18, at 11 o'clock sharp.
THE ABOVE SHIPMENTS OF CROCKERYWARE.

. Catalogues may be had on application at the offices of the Auctioneers.

TERMS LIBERAL, AT SALE.

CORRUGATED IRON BUILDING,

condemned by the City Architect,
at the rear
No. 84 ULTIMO-ROAD, between HARRIS and ENGINE STREET. NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.

W. PRITCHARD and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, on the Premises, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, the 18th instant, at 11 o'clock, the above.

MAKE A NOTE.

10-ACRE BLOCKS of A1 LAND.
BERNARA LAND SALE,
¾ MILES FROM LIVERPOOL.
SATURDAY NEXT, MARCH 19,
3.30 p.m., ON THE GROUND.

CONVEYANCES will meet AT LIVERPOOL TRAINS LEAVING SYDNEY at 8.57 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., and 1.50 p.m., to convey intending purchasers FREE.

CONVEYANCES WILL MEET TRAINS
on
DAY OF SALE,
arriving at Liverpool at 10.15 a.m. and 2.35 p.m.,
to Convey intending Purchasers FREE.

SCRIVENER and SON are instructed to sell as above,
THIS GRAND SUBDIVISION of 10-ACRE BLOCKS of CHOICE LAND, SITUATED BETWEEN LIVERPOOL and HOXTON PARK, on the CABRAMATTA CREEK, to which some of the blocks have frontages.

Apply for Plans and Particulars to AUCTIONEERS at LIVERPOOL, and on each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6 CENTRAL ARCADE, Sydney, from 9.45 to 10.45 a.m.

Solicitors to the Estate, Messrs. Jones and Jones, 38 Elizabeth-street, from whom Plans and Particulars can be obtained.

GO AND VIEW THIS LAND, AND DO NOT FAIL TO ATTEND THIS SALE.

WATER-FRONTAGE ALLOTMENTS.

The Pick of Parramatta River.
Just above the Drummoyne Bridge.
On the Ground,
SATURDAY, the 19th March,
at 3 o'clock,
By GEORGE PILE,
10 CHOICE VILLA SITES,
Close to the New BLANDVILLE WHARF.
Steamers leave Circular Quay at 2 p.m.
Lithos now ready.
Title under Torrens Act.
GEORGE PILE,
126 Pitt-street.

ROSEHILL HEIGHTS, OPPOSITE RACECOURSE. 60 ALLOTMENTS. ON THE HILL, right opposite Racecourse Gates, and traversed by railway projected line to Dural from Clyde. UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE, SATURDAY, MARCH 26, at 3 p.m.

BRODIE and WATKIN, 108 Pitt-street, have received instructions from the Land Company of Australasia, Limited, to offer the above
60 lots, within 5 minutes of Clyde or Granville stations, adjoining Public school.

Terms of sale extending over 3 years, interest 6 per cent.

Plans from the Auctioneers, and
W. A. BRODIE and CO., Parramatta.

THE SHOALHAVEN ESTATES,

the property of the late David Berry, Esq.
ILLAWARRA AND SHOALHAVEN DISTRICTS.
THE FIRST AUCTION SALES.

The dates of the several Sales have been fixed by the Trustees (John Hay, Esq., and Hon. Dr. Norton, M.L.C.), as under:—

1. THE GERRINGONG FARMS,
29th March, at 2.30 p.m.,
to be sold at Mr. Dymock's Auction Rooms, Kiama.

2. THE BOMADERRY TOWNSHIP,
30th March, at noon,
to be sold at the site of the Railway Terminus,
Shoalhaven River.

3. THE NUMBA FARMS,
31st March, at noon,
to be sold in the Long Room at Numba Township.

The Terms of Sale will be 25 per cent. cash, 15 per cent. in two years; the balance in five years from day of sale, at 6 per cent., with right to pay up and obtain Deeds at any time.

AUCTIONEERS:
For the Gerringong Farms,
HARDIE and GORMAN, Sydney, and D. L. DYMOCK, Kiama;
for the Bomaderry Township,
HARDIE and GORMAN, Sydney, and STEWART and MORTON, Nowra and Berry;
for the Numba Farms,
HARDIE and GORMAN, Sydney, and STEWART and MORTON, Nowra and Kiama;
from whom Plans of the Properties to be sold, and also Illustrated Books, can be obtained.

Solicitors to the Berry Estates:
Messrs. NORTON and CO., O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Persons wishing to inspect THE SHOALHAVEN ESTATES can do so by either the MEEINDERRY STEAMER or the COOMONDERRY STEAMER, leaving
HUDDART, PARKER'S WHARF,
foot of Margaret-street,
at 9 p.m. on
MONDAY, MARCH 21st instant
TUESDAY, MARCH 22nd instant
THURSDAY, MARCH 24th instant
FRIDAY, MARCH 25th instant.

FREE PASSES can be obtained from
HARDIE and GORMAN,
Auctioneers,
133 Pitt-street, Sydney.

AN UNDOUBTED INVESTMENT.

THE NEW ANVIL CREEK COLLIERY, adjoining Greta, and about 12 miles from Maitland, possessing one of the most valuable seams of Coal in the colony, connected by rail with the Great Northern Railway, and fully equipped with all appliances necessary for immediately entering upon the business without further expenditure, and with every prospect of a full share of success.

FOR ABSOLUTE AND UNRESERVED SALE,
at the
HALL OF COMMERCE, SYDNEY,
on
FRIDAY, the 1st APRIL, 1892, at 2.30 p.m.

BRUNKER and WOLFE have received instructions from the Proprietors to sell by auction, at the above time and place,
The New Anvil Creek Colliery, containing 555 acres (more or less) of freehold land, abounding with coal of the highest standard of quality, and also possessing a large surface value—miners' houses, office, stables, &c.

The mine is furnished with engines, boilers, pumps, rails, and every item in modern machinery of the most substantial description, and provided with all that is essential to ensure an expeditious, easily worked, and extensive output. The rolling-stock, consisting of waggons, skips, and timber trolly, is in good order, and with the screens, buildings, and sundries, embrace an extensive and well-selected plant.

A complete Catalogue can be obtained from the Auctioneers.

TERMS:
One-fourth cash on fall of the hammer, one-fourth on execution of conveyance; the balance may remain for two years, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum.

IMPERIAL BROKEN HILL SILVER-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.

NOTICE.—The SALE of Forfeited SHARES, advertised to be held on the 14th instant for non-payment of the 28th call, is POSTPONED until MONDAY, the 21st day of March, 1892, at noon, at the Company's office, Prell's-buildings, 70 Queen-street, Melbourne.
R. M. HAMILTON, Manager.
Melbourne, March 14, 1892.

THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern'n. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

WATSON'S BAY.—Clearance Sale next Sat., on the Ground, at 3 p.m. Terms, Lithos. R. & W., Ltd.

ORDER OF SALE.

SHARES.
CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at our Rooms, at 11.30 a.m.,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY.

SHARES.	16 Commercial Banking Company. 20 Bank of New South Wales. 54 Australian Gaslight Company (old). 250 Mont de Piété Company. 5 Debentures Colonial Sugar Company. 2000 Assets Realisation Company. 50 Sydney Meat Preserving Company, £5 each fully paid up.
REDFERN.	House, No. 21, North Allerton House, Prospect-terrace, Elizabeth-street, south of Cleveland-street; deceased estate; title, leasehold.
REDFERN.	House, No. 27, Huttonville, Prospect-terrace, Elizabeth-street, south of Cleveland-street; deceased estate; title, leasehold.
PYRMONT.	Allotment of Land, Pyrmont-street, west side.
NEWTOWN.	The Trocadero, Shops Nos. 63, 65, 67, and 69, King and Campbell streets, and leasehold land adjoining. Mortgagees sale.
AUBURN.	Block of Land, in area 33a. 29p., fronting Liverpool and Auburn Park roads. Mortgagees sale.
AUBURN.	Block of Land, in area about 8¾a., fronting Liverpool-road. Mortgagees sale. The above three properties are sold in one lot.
NEWTOWN.	House, Milford, east side of Marian-street, off Enmore-road, at tram terminus.
ULTIMO.	Cottages, Nos. 102 and 104, and W.B. Cottage, John-street, and two-storey Houses, Pratt's-lane. Mortgagees sale.
ALEXANDRIA.	Herbert-terrace, Nos. 1 to 11, 11 Houses and Hay and Corn Store, Henderson-road. Mortgagees sale.
ALEXANDRIA.	Corner Block of Land, Alexander-street and lane near Henderson-road, opposite Camelia Grove Hotel.
RANDWICK.	Two Houses, Lachlan and Eugowra, west side of Avoca-street, south of Allison-road. Mortgagees sale.
RANDWICK.	Edna, W. B. Cottage and Racing Stables at rear, Botany-street. Mortgagees sale.
RANDWICK.	Lot 21 sec. A, Grand View Estate, fronting Hooper-street, near Hamilton-street.
WAVERLEY.	Fairlawn, residence, Nelson Bay-road. The Equity of Redemption.
STANMORE.	Allotment, fronting Stanmore-road, close to Merchant-street.
STANMORE.	Corner Block of Land, Merchant and Cavendish streets.
BURWOOD.	Block of Land, fronting Minna, Bold, and Angelo streets.
ROCKDALE.	Cottage and 29a. 11p., fronting Bay-street and other roads, known as Ferrier's property. Mortgagees sale.
GORDON, near Pymble Station.	Block of Land, in area 2 acres, known as Sampson's, adjoining Mr. Pymble's orchard.
PETERSHAM.	House, Station-street, close to Brighton-street.
PETERSHAM.	Block of Land, south side of Pile-street, between Livingstone-street and Wardell-road.
SUMMER HILL.	Cottage, Terara, Fairmount and Rosedale streets, close to Railway Station. Mortgagees sale.
LEICHHARDT.	Block of Land, Parramatta-road, between Young and Macquarie streets, known as Swannerton's.
BALMAIN.	Residence, Church and Cameron streets, close to Mort's Dock.
MACDONALDTOWN.	Corner Shop and Dwelling, Erskineville-road and Septimus-street and House Septimus-street, next Erskineville Hotel.
ST. PETERS.	Two Houses, North Allerton and Huttonville, Samuel-street. Deceased Estate.
CANLEY VALE.	Land, Lots 9 to 11 and 20 to 24, sec. 86, subdivision of Fitz-Stubbs Grant, fronting King and Queen streets. Deceased Estate.
DURAL.	Blocks 13 to 17, sec. 3, Hall's Estate, in area 86 acres 2 roods, with 2 W. B. Cottages thereon.
PARISH OF BULGO.	200 Acres, facing ocean, grant to Geo. Wm. Newcombe.
ONE-THIRTEENTH	Part and Share in Estate and Interest of Jos. Redman, under will of late John Redman.
SHARES.	Various Jersey Gold-mining Co. Shares, Walcha.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited.

BANK and GAS SHARES, DEBENTURES, &c.

By order of the Executors of late Mrs. Catherine Gallagher.

16 Shares COMMERCIAL BANKING COMPANY
20 Ditto BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES
54 Ditto AUSTRALIAN GASLIGHT COMPANY (Old)
250 Ditto MONTE PIETE COMPANY
5 DEBENTURES COLONIAL SUGAR COMPANY, £100 each, bearing 6 per cent. interest, due 1902.
2000 SHARES in ASSETS REALIZATION COMPANY.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 18th March, at 11 o'clock,
Above bank and other shares, in lots. (2392)

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE,

on account of owner being out of the colony.
MARIAN-STREET, NEWTOWN.

MILFORD, a semi-detached HOUSE of brick, stone foundation, verandah and balcony in front, and containing 4 rooms, kitchen (part weatherboards), washshed with bath therein, city water and gas. Land 14ft. 11in. to east side of MARIAN-STREET, depth 92ft.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by public auction, at the Rooms, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 18th March, at 11 o'clock,
The above, to be sold cheap. It is off Enmore-road, Sydney side of Newtown tram terminus. Torrens Title. (2408)

PLANT AND MACHINERY,

comprising Engine, Boiler, and Crushing Plant, known as the Huntingdon Mills, in connection with the Mt. M'Donald Gold-mining Co., Limited.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.
A complete Schedule of the Articles will be open for inspection at the Auction Rooms.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on MONDAY, 21st March, at 12 noon,
The above. Full particulars again. (2407)

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

VIEW-STREET, NORTH ANNANDALE, off Booth-street, between Johnston and Trafalgar streets.
HOUSE, No. 62 VIEW-STREET, erected on allotment 30ft. frontage, with a depth of about 82ft. 8in.
Full particulars of the building will be shortly published.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, the 25th March, at 11 o'clock,
The above. Torrens title.
A. ROFE, Esq., is Solicitor of the Mortgagee. (2415)

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE.

MARION-STREET, LEICHHARDT.

Neat Weatherboard COTTAGE, erected on land 40ft. frontage to Marion-street, depth 100ft. Torrens title.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, the 25th March, at 11 o'clock,
The above, full particulars of which will shortly be published. (2416)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 1892.

THE MOPPITY ESTATE,
a magnificent Estate of 11,235 acres of choice
PASTORAL and AGRICULTURAL LAND,
adjoining the Temporary Common on the eastern boundary
of the
TOWN OF YOUNG,
NEW SOUTH WALES,
SPLENDIDLY APPOINTED HOMESTEAD,
with beautifully laid-out Grounds,
THE FINEST PROPERTY
in one of the most
RISING DISTRICTS OF THE COLONY.

MESSRS. J. A. MACKINNON and CO. (in conjunction with the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited) have been favoured with instructions from Carlo Marina, Esq., who is retiring from pastoral pursuits, to sell by public auction, at the Offices of the
NEW ZEALAND LOAN and MERCANTILE AGENCY COMPANY, Limited,
Collins-street, Melbourne,
on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March,
at 2.30 o'clock p.m.,
His splendidly situated and highly improved
MOPPITY ESTATE,
in the Young district, New South Wales.

The area comprises 11,235 acres of first-class land, all freehold and C.P., subdivided into 25 paddocks, which are securely fenced with posts and seven and nine wires. Fencing all in good order and thoroughly sheep and cattle proof.

The homestead is within six miles of Young, and consists of a large and substantially-built dwelling-house, surrounded by choicely stocked orchard in full bearing, and garden and shrubbery beautifully laid out. Water laid on throughout the premises. The woolshed, coach-house, drafting yards, and all other appurtenances are substantial and conveniently arranged.

1000 acres of this property are laid out for dairying purposes. This area is the nearest part of the estate to the town of Young, from which it is distant only about 2½ miles.

The admirable position of the property, the superiority of the land for wool-growing, fattening stock, agriculture (a small area roughly cultivated has yielded from 20 to 30 bushels of wheat to the acre), fruit-growing, and dairy-farming, together with its ample and never-failing water supply, render it one of the most desirable estates ever offered to public competition.

The auctioneers have the utmost confidence in inviting those who are on the lookout for a good sound investment to inspect such a splendid residential estate, so conveniently situated and with a perfect climate.

The stock consists of:—
10,000 first-class merino sheep
200 shorthorn dairy cattle
Blood stallion "Fieldfare" with 10 brood mares
20 farm, carriage, buggy, and saddle horses,
together with bullock team and complete working plant.

Full particulars, with lithographed plans, may be obtained at the Offices of the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, in Melbourne and Sydney, and from Messrs. J. A. MACKINNON and CO., Stock and Station Agents, Young, by whom intending purchasers will be met at the Young Railway Station and driven out to inspect the property.

Terms very liberal.

READ ADVT. OF BERNARA SALE.
10-ACRE BLOCKS NEAR LIVERPOOL.
DAY OF SALE, SATURDAY, 19th MARCH.
GET PLANS and PARTICULARS.
BE THERE WITHOUT FAIL.
SCRIVENER and SON, Liverpool, and
6 Central Arcade, Sydney.

CONVEYANCES will meet at LIVERPOOL TRAINS LEAVING SYDNEY at 8.57 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., and 1.50 p.m., to convey intending purchasers FREE.

THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern'n. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

WATSON'S BAY.—Clearance Sale next Sat., on the Ground, at 3 p.m. Terms, Lithos. R. & W., Ltd.

SCONE TOWNSHIP ALLOTMENTS,

subdivision of
ST. AUBIN'S ESTATE.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on SATURDAY, 19th MARCH, at 1.30 p.m.

ON THE GROUND.

¼-acre allotments.

TERMS: 10 per cent. deposit, balance in 12 equal quarterly instalments, with interest at 6 per cent.

TITLE WILL BE TORRENS ACT.

Lithographic Plans on application.

BY ORDER of the CURATOR OF INTESTATE ESTATES.

SHIRLEY,
EDGECLIFFE-ROAD,
WOOLLAHRA.

A COMMODIOUS RESIDENCE, with large area of IMPROVED GROUNDS, situate in the midst of many of the choicest houses in the charming Eastern Suburbs, amongst others those of the Chief Justice (Sir Frederick Darley), his Honor Sir William Manning, W. Laidley, Esq., and commanding lovely VIEWS OVER THE HARBOUR and surrounding landscape.

SHIRLEY is conveniently arranged, and contains in MAIN BUILDING—On GROUND FLOOR, wide entrance hall, large drawing, dining, and breakfast rooms, library, schoolroom, larder and store room, wide verandah overlooking the grounds and harbour. On FIRST FLOOR, 6 large bedrooms, dressing-rooms, bathroom, linen cupboards, &c. Detached therefrom, approached by covered way, separate building, containing kitchen, laundry, 3 servants' rooms, and conveniences.

The GROUNDS, in area 1 acre 1 rood 33 perches, are laid out in terraces, lawn, shrubberies, &c., and two paddocks, stretching to Manning-road; portion of the land, if not required with the house, might be advantageously dealt with for building purposes.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES are instructed to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, at 11.30 a.m.,
All the interest of the Curator as representing the estates of Janet and Kate MacCormack, deceased, in the above-described property.

The title is leasehold, about 69 years unexpired, ground rent only £30 per an.

Messrs. ALLEN and ALLEN are Solicitors for Vendor, and will furnish information as to title.

PADDINGTON, GLENMORE-ROAD, near.

CHARMING VILLA RESIDENCE, pleasantly positioned in a select neighbourhood, nicely secluded, whilst possessing the advantage of the beautiful grounds of His Honor Judge Stephen in front, and open space at rear affording views over the Rushcutter Bay recreation grounds, the waters of the harbour, and surrounding picturesque beauties of shore-line.

GOOLOOWA, substantially constructed of brick, cemented, on stone foundation, slate roof, contains on GROUND FLOOR broad verandah (front and rear), wide entrance hall, 4 large rooms, kitchen, bathroom, linen closet; on YARD LEVEL, in foundation story, three (3) good rooms; gasfittings, marble mantels, tiled hearths, and fittings throughout are superior.

THE LAND has 60ft. frontage to Cooper-street or Deep Dene-crescent, 125ft. frontage on western boundary to Stephen-street, depth 215ft. There is also a right-of-way leading to Glenmore-road.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES are instructed to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, at 11.30 a.m.,
GOOLOOWA, an ATTRACTIVE little property, within comfortable walking distance of town, one minute of omnibus. Only in the market in consequence of the owner's intending removal to the country. Worthy of attention from those seeking a COMPACT and CHEERFUL HOME.

IMPORTANT SALE

of
A VALUABLE MINING PROPERTY AND COMPLETE PLANT,
comprising
MINERAL LEASES 3371 and 3372, each 40 acres, Parish of Girard, County of Buller, known as the White Rock Proprietary SILVER MINE,
together with
the Company's WATER RIGHTS, known as the Plumbago Water Scheme,
as also
an EXTENSIVE PLANT for MINING, CRUSHING, REDUCING and SMELTING ORES,
consisting of
Engines, Boilers, Pumps, Stonebreakers, Shafting, Stamper Batteries, Concentrators, Sawframes, Air Compressors, Tramways, Dams, Furnaces, Horses, &c., &c., &c.
LARGE QUANTITY of MISCELLANEOUS STORES, too numerous to particularise within the limits of an advertisement, but of which a FULL INVENTORY is open for inspection at the Rooms of the Auctioneers.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES are instructed to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, 22nd MARCH, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above MINING PROPERTY, positively WITHOUT RESERVE.

FORTH-STREET, WOOLLAHRA.

TO GENTLEMEN ABOUT TO BUILD,
or
BUILDERS OF SUPERIOR TERRACE PROPERTY.

A GRAND BUILDING BLOCK, 90ft. frontage to Forth-street, by depth of about 123ft. 6in., extending to a good lane at rear. The land is perfectly level, situate on the crown of the hill, opposite the Public school, and partly occupied by TWO SMALL COTTAGES, Nos. 39 and 41, built of stone stuccoed and of W.B. respectively, which, although unworthy the site, are good to produce income pending application of the land to better uses; meantime rental is from one cottage 12s per week; other, of equal value, occupied by owner.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, 22nd MARCH, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above ELIGIBLE BUILDING SITE, and two cottages, each containing 4 rooms, &c.

The Title is Leasehold, about 63 years unexpired; ground rent nominal, only £8 per annum.

Messrs. CREAGH and WILLIAMS are Solicitors for Vendor.

CITY TERRACE.

CLEVELAND-STREET, MOORE PARK.
Worth Attention of
TRUSTEES and INVESTORS.

CLEVELAND-TERRACE, 6 SUBSTANTIALLY-BUILT Dwelling HOUSES of brick, cemented, slate roofs, balconies and verandahs, and iron railing on stone, dwarf wall in front, each containing entrance-hall, drawing, dining, breakfast, and 4 bed rooms, kitchen, bathroom, laundry, gas and water, connected with sewer.
Land 108ft. frontage to Cleveland-street by depth to lane at rear.

A SURE INCOME-PRODUCING INVESTMENT.
Rental, £468 per annum.
By Order of the Mortgagee.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the ROOMS, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, 22nd MARCH, at 11.30 a.m.
The above SUPERIOR TERRACE PROPERTY situated close to Moore Park, and convenient to both tram and 'bus.

TITLE, TORRENS ACT.

Messrs. Iceton and Faithfull are Solicitors for Vendor.

BALMAIN.

By order of E. M. Stephen, Esq., Official Assignee in the Bankrupt Estate of J. D. Lothrop.

A CHARMING SITE, OVERLOOKING the beautiful grounds of Dr. Elliott and the waters of the PARRAMATTA RIVER, being 34, sec. 2, Roseville Estate. An EXCELLENT CORNER position, having frontage of
48ft. 7in. to Elliott-street,
153ft. 10in. to Terry-street.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above-described CAPITAL BUILDING BLOCK.
TITLE, TORRENS ACT.

ERMINGTON.

A NICE LITTLE ORCHARD PROPERTY, in area 8 acres 3 roods 6 perches, frontages to Fitzgerald and another street, in all 792 feet, being Allotments 5 to 15 and 17, of Smith and Fitzgerald's Subdivision, situate in an elevated position, overlooking the Parramatta River, adjoining the Residences of T. Fitzgerald, Esq., and W. H. Smith, Esq., and within easy reach of either Steamers' Wharf or Ryde Railway Station.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street,
on
TUESDAY, the 22nd MARCH,
at 11.30 a.m.,
The above-described EXCELLENT BLOCK, good for building or cultivation. There are a number of young fruit trees thereon.

Chas. Bull, Esq., is Vendor's Solicitor, and will furnish evidence of Title.

LYNDHURST ESTATE, GLEBE.

A SOUND INVESTMENT
and
SURE SPECULATION.

A GOOD CORNER, 80ft. 6in. to Darling-street
88ft. to Cardigan-street
80ft. 6in. to Little Darling-street.

Occupying 38ft. of the Cardigan-street Frontage is a Terrace of 3 Houses, each containing 4 rooms, balcony and washshed; let at 12s per week each. The residue of the Land, showing a vacant block 50ft. x 80ft., is available for erection of 4 similar Houses or for a Factory Site.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street,
on
TUESDAY, the 22nd MARCH,
at 11.30 a.m.

The above property, situate in the midst of works, close to the city, in a well-letting locality.

SUMMER HILL.

EDGE HILL and BEWDLY.—An ATTRACTIVE Pair of COTTAGE VILLAS, built of brick on stone, slate roof, each containing hall, 4 rooms, and kitchen, laundry of G.I., bathroom of wood. Occupied by responsible tenants at 15s per week each.

LAND, 33ft. frontage to Prospect-road, 102ft. to Smith-street, good lane at rear.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES (with Mr. S. T. Rodd) will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, MARCH 29, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above SNUG LITTLE INVESTMENT, occupying an excellent corner position, within 5 minutes of Railway station.
TITLE, TORRENS ACT.

Messrs. Stephen, Jaques, and Stephen act for Vendors.

THE Bannockburn Estate, Pymble.—Auction Sale, Sat. Aftern'n. Free passes. Thomson Bros., 3 Moore-st.

QUEEN-STREET, WOOLLAHRA.

SHOP PREMISES, in the heart of THE BUSINESS CENTRE.
EQUAL TO CITY PROPERTY.

BLOCK of LAND, having frontage of 42ft. 9in. to QUEEN-STREET (west side) by depth of 109ft. to a lane at rear; whereon is erected THREE (3) BRICK SHOPS, with comfortable dwelling apartments, good stabling at rear, awnings over footway, known as Nos. 124, 126, 128.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above described DESIRABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, having an unexpired term to run of about 60 years, at the merely nominal ground rent of £8 per annum. BETTER THAN FREEHOLD, and will be sold a BARGAIN.

Messrs. DOWLING and DOWLING are Solicitors for Vendor.

STONE-BREAKING PLANT,

and
LEASE OF PREMISES,
The Crescent and Frederick-street,
close to
NEWTOWN RAILWAY STATION.
By order of the Mortgagee.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, the 22nd MARCH, at 11.30 a.m.,
1 14-h.p. double-cylinder portable engine, by Ransome and Sims
1 stone-breaking machine
1 5-ton weighbridge, by Fairbairn
1 water meter, with pipe connections
1 2-ton chain block
1 circular-saw and fittings
4 barrows, quantity leather belting, blacksmith's tools, picks, shovels, and numerous sundries incidental to the business,
together with
Lease of premises, expiring 1st July, 1894 (less the last three days), at a rental of £6 13s 4d per month.

A CHANCE for an enterprising man to step into a ready-made business and acquire a competency.

Messrs. ABBOTT and DODDS are Solicitors of Vendor.

WORKING MAN'S CHANCE.

ALEXANDRIA.

TWO comfortable W.B. COTTAGES, each containing hall, 2 rooms, and kitchen, verandahs front and back.
Land 33ft. frontage to JESSON-STREET, lane at rear.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell the above by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, at 11.30 a.m.,
ON VERY EASY TERMS if required by a purchaser, and either together or separately.

ALEXANDRIA.

A GOOD LEVEL BUILDING PLOT—Allotments 78 and 79 of Sec. 5, Waterloo Estate, 33 feet frontage to Euston-road by 100 feet in depth, extending to a good lane at rear.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES (with S. T. Rodd) will sell the above by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, 29th MARCH, at 11.30 a.m.,
A CHEAP LOT. For positive sale.

By order of E. M. STEPHEN, Esq., Official Assignee in the Bankrupt Estate of Mr. T. J. Baker.

HARRIS PARK, PARRAMATTA.

A CAPITAL BUILDING BLOCK, close to the Railway Station.
178ft. 5½in. frontage to Tottenham (or Station) Street
Depth 108ft. 10½in. one side, 119ft. 5in. other side
Extending to a lane 20ft. wide at rear
forming Allotments 33 (part of) and 34 to 38 of Section 8, Harris Park.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, 29th MARCH, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above.
TITLE, TORRENS ACT.

Messrs. Waldron and Dawson, Central-chambers, 172 Pitt-street, act for Vendor, and will furnish evidence of title.

GRAND SUBDIVISION

at
PYMBLE,
on the
NORTH SHORE to HORNSBY RAILWAY,
on
SATURDAY, MARCH 19.

THOMSON BROS. are favoured with instructions to sell by auction, on the Ground, as above.
THE BANNOCKBURN ESTATE,
comprising
83 CHOICE ALLOTMENTS,
all having 66ft. FRONTAGE to ROADS 66ft. WIDE, and with good depths, as per plan now preparing.

. This subdivision is worthy the attention of all desiring choice Residence Sites in a district which will soon rank as the
BEST SUBURBAN LOCALITY AROUND SYDNEY.

PYMBLE stands about 800ft. above the sea level, an elevation only attained on the Western and Southern railways, at a distance of 40 miles from Sydney.
THIS GREAT ELEVATION
secures a mild and bracing climate, free not only from the scorching heat of the flat western suburbs, but also free from the enervating sea breezes so objectionable in the coastal suburbs.

PRICES AND TERMS:
The vendor having held this property for a considerable number of years, is in a position to fix prices for the Allotments which
WILL FAVOUR BUYERS.
The terms are liberal—25 per cent. deposit, balance in 6, 12, and 18 months, with 6 per cent. interest added.
THE CHEAPNESS OF THE LAND AND THE LIBERAL TERMS
place the property within the reach of all classes of buyers.

When the railway is opened to Milson's Point (the contract date is September next) Pymble will be within easy reach of the city, therefore
BUYERS SHOULD SECURE LAND NOW,
and
OBTAIN THE ENHANCEMENT OF VALUES THE RAILWAY EXTENSION WILL ENSURE.

Free Railway and 'Bus Passes at our Office.

Any further particulars can be obtained from
THOMSON BROS., Auctioneers, | 3 Moore-street, Sydney. | Milson's Point, North Sydney.

SALE DAY, SATURDAY, 19th MARCH.

PYMBLE, NORTH SYDNEY TO HORNSBY RAILWAY.

COTTAGE RESIDENCE, constructed of brick on stone foundations, and containing 6 rooms, kitchen, &c.
LAND AREA, 330 BY 125 FEET,
or a larger or smaller area by arrangement.

This Cottage is built on one of the finest allotments in the Bannockburn Estate. It is within 7 minutes of the Pymble Railway Station.

THOMSON BROS. are instructed to sell by AUCTION, on the Ground, on
SATURDAY, MARCH 19,
The above cottage residence, on terms of 25 per cent. deposit; balance in 6, 12, and 18 months, at 6 per cent. per annum.

AUCTIONEERS' NOTICE.

THOMSON BROS., 3 MOORE-STREET,
LAND AND GENERAL AUCTIONEERS,
Conduct SALES of HOUSES, LAND, &c., in their Rooms; also, Subdivisional Sales on the Ground, and Furniture Sales at Residences.

ORDER OF SALE

at the Property Exchange, 76 Pitt-street, NEXT MONDAY (March 21), at 11 a.m., by
GARRARD and HAMILTON.

PYRMONT, Little Mount-street.—Terrace of 12 Brick Cottages; leasehold, about 40 years to run, at an annual ground rent of £36 10s; land 180ft. by 70ft.; yearly return £343 4s.
PYRMONT, Crown-road.—Land 165ft. by 70ft. to a right-of-way; on it are 11 brick cottages; leasehold, about 40 years to run, at a ground rent of £36 10s per annum; income per year, £314 12s.
PYRMONT, Point and Herbert streets, No. 35.—Brick House, shingle roof, cemented, containing 4 rooms, balcony, &c., having 14ft. 8½in. to Point and Herbert streets by a depth of 95ft.; leasehold, 99 years from 1st July, 1869; ground rent £3 8s per annum.
PADDINGTON, near Town Hall, Nos. 9, 11, 16, Weeden-lane, three substantially-built stone Houses, containing 3 rms., kit., asphalted yards, connected with sewer, always let; about 46ft. 6in. to Weeden-lane by 55ft. deep to an entrance from Oxford-street; annual rental, £80 12s.
WAVERLEY.—Lawson-street, property known as Hope Cottage, built of brick on stone, iron roof, cont. 3 rooms, kit., washhouse with copper and bath, verandah, &c., land 13ft. by 88ft., title freehold.
WOOLLAHRA.—Thorne-street, Zulu-terrace, comprising 5 Houses; leasehold, about 72 years to run, at a ground rent of £35 p.a.; yearly income, £177 2s.
LEICHHARDT.—195 Norton-street, near tram terminus, D.F. Shop and Dwelling, cont. 3 rooms and kitchen, land 60 x 120.
Further particulars from
GARRARD and HAMILTON, Auctioneers,
76 Pitt-street.

TO INVESTORS, SPECULATORS, HOMESEEKERS, CLERKS, MECHANICS, &c., &c.

HURSTVILLE STATION.
60 ALLOTMENTS.
SALE on the Ground, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, the 19th March, 1892, at 4 p.m.
Upset Price, 10s per foot
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NEXT WEST PADDOCK ESTATE
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Train from Redfern, 2.10 and 3.10 p.m.
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Train from Redfern, 2.10 and 3.10 p.m.
Nine Miles from Sydney, 33 Trains Daily.
314ft. Elevation. Terms: £1 per lot deposit; balance, 10s per lot per month. Interest, 6 per cent.
Plans from
E. C. V. BROUGHTON,
301 Pitt-street, Sydney.

FOR POSITIVE SALE.

MALVERN, Pile-street, DULWICH HILL,
a very compact and faithfully-built
GOTHIC COTTAGE RESIDENCE,
thoroughly drained and ventilated, containing 7 large dwelling rooms, kitchen, laundry, bathroom (hot and cold water), pantry.
The land has 70ft. frontage by 127ft. 10in. in depth.
A neatly-turfed lawn at side, well built, roomy brick coachhouse and stabling, and every fitting and convenience. Torrens title.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, on TUESDAY, 29th March, at 11.30 o'clock, at their Rooms, 109 Pitt-street,
The above charming residence.
TERMS: £700 may remain at 7 per cent. interest.

SPORT FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY.—Attend Warwick Farm Races To-day. No postponement. Only coast rain; plenty in Sydney, but very little at Liverpool. Course in splendid order. Special trains, 12, 12.25, 12.40. Roll up ye sons of Ireland.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

In the Stock and Share market to-day there was very little business. Australian Gaslight were rather dearer, quotations for others being unaltered. On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported:—At 1 o'clock: Australian Joint Stock Bank, 21½; Queensland National Bank, 99s; Castlemaine and Wood Bros.' Brewery, 21s 3d; Colonial Sugar, £20 paid, 25. At 4 o'clock: Colonial Finance, 1s 6d. Closing quotations were:—

BANKS.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Aust. J. Stock	—	21½	Union	—	68
Commercial	118	—	New Zealand	90/	96/
Com. of Aust.	7/11/	8	Auckland Reg.	—	96/
City	9½	10	N. Queensland	—	71/
New Issue	22/	30/	Q. National	—	99/
Federal	—	20/6	Roy. B. Q'land	—	75/
N. S. Wales	63½	64½			

STEAM.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Balmain Ferry	12/9	14/	Newcastle	1/6	—
Illawarra	—	5	North Coast	—	20/
N.S. Ferry	33/	38/	Port Jackson	—	30/

INSURANCE.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Aust'n Mutual	—	18/	N. S. Wales	—	10d
Cy M'tu'l Fire	1/11	2/3	Pacific	—	1/
Mercantile	5/	5/9	United	65/	70/

GAS.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Aus. Gaslight	12½	—	Manly	—	20/
New	8½	—	North Shore	—	20/
Goulburn	—	36/			

BREWERIES.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Marshall's	—	8/	Cast'm'ne and Wood Bros.	21/3	22/3
Tooth's	16/	16/6			

MISCELLANEOUS.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Aaron's Hotel	—	7/6	Eagle Tobacco	5/	—
Colonial Sugar, £10 paid	14½	—	Richardson and Wrench	9/	14/
£20 paid	25½	25¾	Shale and Oil	—	—
Emu Gravel	—	17/	Syd. Hyd.	11/	11/3
Hudson Bros.	—	3/9	Syd. Exchange	18	—
New Issue	—	4/	Syd. T. and O.	—	18/
Malb'ne Tr'ms.	27/	29/6			

INVESTMENT AND FINANCE, &c.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Assets Realisation	—	2/8	Perm. Trustee	2/6	3/
Col. Finance	—	1/9	Perm. Trustee	17/	—
Mort. Guar.	—	—	Real Estate	—	1/
Mont de Piété, as New	21/	22/	Sydney Land Bank	—	5/

LAND AND BUILDING.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Anglo-Austra., £5 paid	—	20/	Sydney Perm.	—	10
£1 paid	—	5/	Sydney and Suburban	—	10/
Commercial	—	60/			

On the Stock Exchange of New South Wales the following sale was reported to-day:—Colonial Sugar, £10 paid, 14¾. The following were the closing quotations, except those corresponding with the figures of the Sydney Stock Exchange published above:—Mercantile Mutual Insurance, buyer 5s 6d; New South Wales Insurance, buyer 9d; Shale and Oil, buyer 5s 6d; Colonial Finance, buyer 1s 5d, seller 1s 6d; Industrial Provident Building, seller 17¾; Sydney Freehold Land, seller 13s 3d; Sydney and Suburban Land, buyer 7s, seller 8s 6d; Balmain Ferry, seller 13s 9d; North Shore Ferry, buyer 33s, seller 34s; United Insurance, buyer 66s, seller 67s 6d; Castlemaine and Wood Bros.' Brewery, seller 22s; Hudson Bros., seller 3s; Assets Realization, seller 2s 4d; Mont de Piété, seller 21s 6d; Permanent Trustee, buyer 2s 6d, seller 2s 9d; Anglo-Australian Investment, 20s paid, seller 6d.

We are informed that 20,000 of the new issue of 25,000 shares in the N.S.W. Mont de Piété Deposit and Investment Company, Limited, offered to the shareholders have been subscribed for. At the solicitation of persons representing absent shareholders, the new share list will remain open for several weeks to give those who are in England and at a distance an opportunity of making application. This increase of capital will enable the company to extend its operations.

Shares of the Bank of South Australia in London have risen to £11, possibly in view of the reported amalgamation with the Union Bank of Australia. Assuming the balance-sheet of the Bank of South Australia, showing the capital of the company to be really intact, to be perfectly correct, the Union Bank would make a profitable transaction on the terms stated. On the other hand, as the market price of the shares of the Bank of South Australia had been reduced to £10, the proposal to give one share of the Union Bank, valued at £60 at the end of January, for five of these shares might be acceptable to some of the shareholders of the smaller institution. To those who regard the fall in the market price of the shares of the Bank of South Australia as temporary, amalgamation on the proposed terms would not be held to be satisfactory. It may be remembered that the fall in the price of the shares of the Bank of South Australia took place when the directors, instead of paying a dividend out of the profits, amounting to £21,000, stated their intention to strengthen the reserve.

Relative to the complaints made as to the differential treatment of Adelaide and Sydney merchants in the Barrier trade of this colony, the Customs Department state that they are only interpreting the Customs Duties Act in the same way as they have always done. And further, that the Customs Act of Victoria is interpreted in the same way, as goods imported into New South Wales and thence sent to Victoria would have to pay the ad valorem duty not on the invoice price in England with 10 per cent. added, but on the price in Sydney. This charge is made in accordance with the 76th section of the Victorian Customs Act. "In all cases where any duty is imposed on any goods imported ad valorem or according to the true and real value of such goods, such value shall be understood to be the fair market value thereof in the principal markets of the country whence the same were exported, with 10 per centum added." A footnote to this clause in the "Customs Handbook," edited by H. N. P. Wollaston, LL.M., barrister-at-law, is as follows:—"The 'principal markets' means the place in the country whence the goods are exported which forms the chief place for dealing in that particular class of goods. Thus hardware manufactured at Birmingham, but exported at London, would be taken at the value at the former place. But if goods are shipped from London to Sydney, there landed, and thence to Melbourne, the value on which duty is to be charged can be legally held to be that at Sydney and not London. In practice, however, in such a case the officers can add 10 per cent. to the English price, and charge duty accordingly, with addition of 10 per cent. But great care must be taken in this class of transactions, and the landing surveyors must see that no such concession be made without their concurrence." The Customs Department claim that this shows that the Victorian Act is worked in the same way as they are now working the Customs Duties Act of this colony.

In the Import markets to-day there was very little business of importance outside the auction room, the state of the weather, adding to other conditions, unfavourably affecting trade. Flour was in moderate request at late rates. The London market is rather easier. The New Zealand Loan and M.A. Company, Limited, report that they are in receipt of a message dated 15th instant from their London office as follows:—"Wheat: The market is very weak. Since last report Australian wheat, c.i.f. (cargoes), has declined 1s per 480lb., and spot quotations have declined 1s 3d per 496lb." At the auction tea sale at the City Mart to-day, Messrs. Fraser and Co. offered catalogues of China tea, comprising about 3800 packages of China, 350 packages of Indian, and 131 packages of Ceylon. All the Ceylon, most of the Indian, and a lesser proportion of the China was sold. The business done comprised the following lines:—China tea: 65 half-chests at 1s 4d, 316 half-chests at 8d to 8½d, 100 half-chests at 7¼d, 596 half-chests at 6d to 6½d, 118 quarter-chests at 8½d to 11½d, 658 boxes at 6s to 6s 3d. Of Indian tea the sales comprised 89 half-chests at 9d to 9½d, 80 half-chests and 15 chests at 7d to 7½d, and 30 quarter-chests at 1s. The Ceylon catalogue was quitted as follows:—121 chests at 6½d to 7½d, and 10 half-chests at 7½d. Some business was also done privately, including 240 quarter-chests of scented tea and 250 half-chests at 7½d to 10d. Taylor's cocoa, 1s 2½d to 1s 3d. In dried fruits we note the sale of 150 cases of currants at 4½d. Sultanas in trade parcels moved off at 5½d. The demand for fish is not at all brisk. Tinned salmon, Alaska fish, was sold at 5s 9d. Coarse salt is moving off at from 70s; rock, from 47s 6d to 50s. Reporting on the English salt market, Mr. H. E. Falk writes:—"The shipments this month to most markets are quite up to the average, and in some cases show a substantial increase. Calcutta figures cannot be expected to recover their equilibrium in one month, but there are signs that we shall not have long to wait for resumption of steady shipments. Shipowners have been keeping off the market, in the hope that the Salt Union would play into their hands by reducing the price, and thus enable them to raise their freights, but the directors of the Salt Union can hardly be so blind as to sacrifice the interests of their shareholders to those of shipowners. The United States trade is much less satisfactory. The concession notified in November proved ineffective, in view of the heavy tariff, and has been withdrawn. The Northern ports particularly show a heavy decline this month, and a much more serious concession must be made, unless trade there is to dwindle away." A parcel of French salad oil quitted at 3s 11d, and further business at 4s. A quantity of English malt was sold at recent quotations. In liquids, some business was reported in Boar's Head ale and stout, also in Foster's ale, at current rates. Second-class brandy was noticed more freely. Robertson's and Dawson's whisky quitted at agents' prices. The metal market is lifeless. Sheet lead was depressed, business being done at £16 15s. Muntz metal, 16oz., 7½d; other weights at from 7d. Kerosene is going off more freely; a line of 200 cases to land sold at 1s 2d. Castor is not so plentiful in first hands, and although 2s 8d is quoted the market is rather firmer. Calcutta cable advice quotes castor as 2s, c.i.f. Linseed oil is rather dearer, Blundell and Spence's being quoted at 2s 7d. Cornsacks were sold at 5s 10d, and branbags at 4s 4½d. Telegraphic advice from Calcutta was received to-day as follows:—Woolpacks, 1s 10½d; cornsacks, 5s 7d; and branbags, 4s 7½d, c.i.f.

Messrs. Fraser and Co. advertise for sale by auction to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon, on premises fronting Cowper Wharf, Woolloomooloo Bay, stock-in-trade of a builder.

The following is a return of produce received at the Darling Harbour railway terminus per rail for the week ended March 16:—Wheat, 82 tons 10cwt. 1qr.; flour, 287 tons 15cwt. 2qr.; barley, 1 ton 8cwt.; maize, 53 tons 18cwt. 1qr.; meal, 1 ton; potatoes, 31 tons 13cwt. 2qr.; bran, 85 tons 11cwt. 2qr.; pollard, 44 tons 3cwt.; butter, 1200 kegs and 81 cases; cheese, 1 case; eggs, 173 cases; bacon, 3 bags; wool, 2159 bales; sheepskins, 421 bales. And at Redfern—Hay, 27 trucks; straw, 17 trucks; and chaff 59 trucks.

At the fortnightly auction sales of wool to-day, 2877 bales of wool were offered. The bulk of the lots was quitted. Including a quantity of wool sold privately since the previous fortnightly sales, the quantity reported as sold amounted to 3349 bales. Details of the sales are supplied in the following reports:—

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, report:—By public auction to-day we submitted a catalogue of 976 bales wool. The selection comprised some very fair parcels for this season of the year, but as is usual with late shorn clips the condition of the wool was heavy and more or less faulty, and the range of values was consequently at a low level. The ranks of the buyers have been considerably thinned of late by departures for Europe, but year by year more attention is being bestowed on what we call our winter sales, and many representatives of large houses who formerly made a practice of returning to headquarters after every season now spend the whole year in the colony. A good demand is therefore assured for all lots coming forward, and considering the probabilities of the future of the market, prices realised to-day, under strong competition, were quite in keeping with London values as shown in the priced catalogues of the January sales just received. A speculative demand induced by the low prices materially assisted in keeping values firm for all lots suitable for shipment in both greasy and scoured sorts, and local scourers operated freely in odd and mixed bales and remnants of clips. Good shafty lambs, if free of burrs, are in special request, but generally speaking the lots available are infested with trefoil burrs. Privately and by auction we have disposed of 1129 bales, of which the following will show the course of prices:—Greasy: R, 34 bales at 7d, 6 broken at 5½d, from Mudgee; TP, 5 lambs at 4½d, from Kelso; GG, 5 at 6½d, from Marulan; Shamrock over S, 11 at 6d, from Murrurundi; Belford, 6 at 4½d, from Nyngan; CJW, 12 at 5½d, from Cooma; CC over C, 20 at 6½d, 4 A lambs at 5½d, from the Macquarie; JJ over NE, 15 at 6½d, from Bathurst; JH, 17 crossbred at 7d, from Perth; J over J, 12 at 5½d, from Cooma; TY, 5 lambs at 5½d, from Perth; McM, 9 at 5½d, from Cooma; ST over S, 7 at 6½d, from Taralga; HM, 9 at 6d, from Cooma; J. West over Gabramatta, 10 at 6½d, from Cooma; PBR, 19 at 6½d, from Armidale; TG over Alma, 46 at 6½d, from Cooma; B over J, 18 at 5½d, from Tamworth; B over P over Rockley, 18 at 6½d, from Rockley; 5 UF, 4 at 7d, from Queensland; PYD over Culgoa, 79 at 6½d, from Brewarrina. Scoured: R, 27 pieces at 7½d, 6 stained pieces at 4½d; GE in square, 8 first pieces at 8½d, 21 pieces at 6½d, 15 bellies at 7d, 25 locks at 5½d; OB&Co., Sunnyside, 8 clothing at 8d, 4 second skin at 6½d; JCWO, 18 first pieces at 8½d; 1 over C over New England, 5 bellies at 10½d; SS over HD, 20 pieces and locks at 6½d, 5 bellies at 7½d; Botany, 38 lambs at 10½d; and 375 bales of the well-known J. Walsh over Botany in heart at satisfactory figures; also 130 lots of single bales and oddments at full values.

Messrs. Winchcombe, Carson, and Co. report:—Our catalogue for the usual fortnightly wool sale to-day comprised 531 bales; and we sold in all, including private sales, since our last report 663 bales. The market must be described as entirely unchanged. Competition was very active in the grease sections at current rates; and though scoureds did not move so freely, the buying power for these was sufficiently strong to effect a satisfactory clearance. Greasy fleece realised up to 7½d per lb. for a small line from near Yass; other lots ranging from 6½d for good average wools, down to 5d for seedy, heavy, and otherwise faulty parcels. Greasy lambs went off briskly at 4½d to 5½d for fair to medium merinos, and 4d to 4½d for burry crossbreds. The scoured wools offered did not include anything of more than medium quality; indeed, many of the lots fell considerably below even this standard, and as a consequence no high prices can be recorded. We sold one lot of Sydney-scoured skin-wool at 12½d, and a line of well-scoured but imperfectly classed fleece at 12d. Scoured lambs ranged from 7d to 8d, pieces from 7d to 9½d, and locks from 4½d to 7½d per lb., latter price for very superior. Among the lots sold were the following:—Longhman Bros. over Homebush, 87 bales, from the Barwon, at 6½d for fleece, 5½d for pieces, 5½d for lambs; BR over D over New England, 38 bales, from Armidale, at 6½d; Moss, 23 bales unskirted, from Nimitybelle, at 5½d; MS over Coumaguines, 21 bales, from Monaro, at 6d; MM over Y, 8 bales, from Yass, at 7d; Norman over Wilbey, 29 bales, very earthy, from the Barwon, at 5½d; IK, 14 bales unskirted, from Monaro, at 6½d; RM over Honey, 11 bales, from Kiandra, at 6½d; M over R, 30 bales, Macquarie River, scoured, at various prices up to 11d for fleece; CO, 19 bales, scoured, at 12d for fleece, 8½d for pieces; AB, 38 bales scoured sundries, at 9d for pieces, 8d for lambs, 5½d for locks; WP over Springvale, 9 bales New England scoured, at 10½d for firsts, 7½d for seconds; J. Faint over Armidale, 5 bales scoured oddments, at 8½d for pieces and bellies, 6d for locks; WHM over Mogila, 5 bales seedy scoured, from Brewarrina, at 6½d to 8½d; BR over ⊔, 8 bales New England oddments, at 10½d for fleece, 8½d for pieces, 7½d for locks, the latter being top price of the day for scoured locks.

The Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, held its thirteenth sale of the season to-day, submitting a catalogue of 376 bales to a good attendance of buyers and brisk competition. As is usual at this time of the year, the offerings comprised no lots above medium quality, whilst the bulk of the catalogue consisted of inferior and faulty lots. Prices realised are up to London equivalents for all descriptions, and show no alteration from the sales of a fortnight ago. In all 398 bales were disposed of under the hammer. The following are amongst the principal lots sold:—Greasy: Yarawa, 38 at 6d; TS over B, 4 lambs at 3½d; L over Namoi, 6 combing at 4½d; SMP over Coobiendra, 10 fleece at 5½d, 4 pieces at 5½d, 4 bellies at 3½d; 4 over J, 15 at 6d; JB over Natus, 14 at 6d; Woggonorn, 19 first and second combing at 5½d, 17 first and second clothing at 5½d, 7 first lambs at 5d, 14 first pieces at 5d, 27 pieces at 4½d. Scoured: L over Namoi, 36 stained at 5½d, 32 locks at 5½d; S. Bros over Coobung, 6 bellies at 9d, 4 S. pieces at 7½d, 10 locks at 7½d; SMP over Coobiendra, 7 pieces at 8½d; Newinga, 8 at 9½d, 4 at 7½d, 14 bellies at 8½d; WJ over CF, 5 first pieces at 9½d.

The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, report:—The wool sales now held fortnightly were resumed to-day, a good attendance of buyers being present in the saleroom. Our catalogue consisted of 309 bales of medium, greasy, and inferior scoured descriptions, for which there was good competition. Prices ruled without much alteration, and while very faulty low scoured sorts were rather difficult of sale, the more attractive shipping parcels were eagerly taken up by buyers who still have good orders on hand. Lambs' wool, which is now coming into the market freely from late shearing districts, met, if anything, with a rather stronger inquiry, at slightly enhanced prices. Since last reporting the company's sales at auction and privately total 370 bales, of which the following representative parcels may be quoted, viz.:—Greasy: TB over Woolerina, 36 combing and clothing at 6½d, 50 first pieces at 6d, 8 first lambs at 6½d, 8 second lambs at 5½d, 5 second lambs at 3d, from Goodooga; Boonal, 6 lambs at 4½d, from Armidale; WS over Finger Post, 22 combing at 6½d, from Walgett; CTM, 42 combing at 6½d, from Coonabarabran; PE, 43 combing at 6½d, from Urana; Malvern Hills, 8 combing at 5d, from Queensland; HD over Silver Hill, 4 combing at 6d, from Merriwa; DON, 8 combing at 6d. Scoured: TOB, 11 black at 11d; DON, 14 first pieces at 9½d; 28 second pieces at 8½d; KM over B, 6 bellies at 7½d, 4 locks at 4½d; GJ over Moree, 7 locks at 5d.

John Bridge and Co. report having brought forward for their eighteenth sale 241 bales, consisting of balances of clips, scoureds and oddments. At this time of the year the majority of buyers have returned to their respective homes, offerings being small. Nevertheless, competition to-day was comparatively brisk, at prices fully equal to those current a fortnight since, and at this level they were able to clear their entire catalogue with one or two exceptions. By auction and privately they disposed of 286 bales, the highest price of the day being 7d, secured for five bales marked E, from Wagga; next in order was 6½d for 15 bales, JM over E, from same district; 6½d was obtained for 14 bales, JC in circle, from Wallerawang; 15 bales forwarded from Bombala, marked JM over Archer's Flat; 24 bales, MM, from Merriwa; 31 bales, DM over Emu Park, from Tenandra; 28 bales from Forbes, marked JM over F, making 5½d, &c.

Messrs. Hill, Clark, and Co. held their usual fortnightly wool sale to-day, bringing forward a catalogue of 231 bales, consisting of remnants of clips and scoured parcels. The market ruled fairly brisk, prices ruling about on a par with last sales. At auction and privately since last reporting we have cleared 190 bales.

Dalgety and Co., Limited, report:—We held our seventeenth sale of wool at the Chamber of Commerce yesterday, the 16th instant, when we brought forward a catalogue of 213 bales. We have sold, including private sales since last auction, 345 bales altogether. The offerings were chiefly comprised of greasy and scoured oddments, only a few lines being over 10 bales, and were not in very good condition. The attendance of buyers was not quite as large as usual, several having left for England and the Continent; still there was a fair muster, competition being sound. Still we cannot advise any alteration in prices. The demand was chiefly from the French section, who secured the bulk. The following are among the principal sales effected:—Greasy: Wellmoringle over J&K Bros., fleece, 6½d, lambs, 5½d, pieces, 5½d, from Brewarrina; The Tindery, fleece to 6½d, from Bungendore. Scoured: Euroka, bellies 10½d, second pieces 10d, S. pieces 8½d, locks 7½d (this lot was of a very good colour and well got up, reflecting credit on the scourer at Walgett); Quabothoo, pieces 7½d, bellies 7½d, stained 6d, locks 5½d (Coonamble), and many others.

The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, report having received the following cable message from London, under date the 15th March:—"Rabbit Skins: The market is quiet. Inferior descriptions have declined 1d per lb. since last report. Other quotations unchanged."

The Customs revenue received to-day was collected upon the undermentioned goods:—

Spirits, £2079 18s 11d; wine, still, £112 18s 1d; wine, sparkling, £45; ale, porter, and beer, in wood, £21 5s; ale, porter, and beer, in bottles, £2 8s 6d; tobacco and snuff, £439 1s; tobacco, for manufacturing purposes only, £151 4s; cigars, £87 18s 7d; cigarettes, £37 10s; sugar, molasses, £74 1s 10d; opium, £4; rice, £27 18s 7d; dried fruits, £4 2s 3d. Specific Duty: Acetic acid, £16 13s; acid, sulphuric, £20 2s 7d; aerated mineral waters, 2s; bacon and hams, &c., £12 7s 8d; barley, £5 13s 9d; bitters over 75 per cent. of proof spirit, £1 1s; bolts, spikes, nuts, &c., £25 13s 8d; candles, 6s 3d; cement, £67 10s; cocoa and chocolate, £51; colours, dry, £1 5s 4d; confectionery, 9s 4d; cordage, £4 0s 5d; essences 25 per cent. of proof spirit, 1s 1d; essences over 25 per cent. of proof spirit, £4 8s 5d; farinaceous foods, £1 13s; fish, dried, preserved, or salt, £112 11s 8d; galvanised iron, £388 8s 9d; galvanised manufactures, £2 9s; glue and size, £6 1s 4d; grease, axle and lubricating, £2 8s 1d; hay and chaff, £17 10s 4d; jams and jellies, £168 16s 10d; lead pipe, £6 18s 5d; meat, preserved, £10; methylated spirit, £6 10s; milk, preserved, £19; oatmeal, £3 16s; oil, kerosene, £43; oils, in bottle, £3; oils, other, £66 17s 3d; oilmen's stores, pickles and sauces, 10s; paints and colours in oil, £35 9s 4d; paper, brown, £14 6s 1d; peas, £6 18s 9d; potatoes £18 5s 3d; powder, blasting, £16 13s 4d; powder, sporting, £30 14s 6d; preserves, £12 16s; putty, £1 0s 7d; salt, £20; soap, fancy, £5 11s 8d; timber, dressed, £22 5s 6d; timber, undressed, £28 7s; tinctures 25 per cent., 10s 3d; tinctures, 50 per cent., £10 10s; tinctures, 75 per cent., £1 11s 6d; tinctures over 75 per cent., £30 6s 9d; varnishes, containing spirit, £8 9s; varnishes, all other, £33 4s 6d; whiting and chalk, £6 5s 5d. Harbour and light rates, £2 5s; pilotage, Sydney, £9 15s 8d; excise on tobacco, £695; excise on beer, £100; licenses for selling tobacco and cigars, £1 5s; ad valorem, 10 per cent., £8016 8s 11d; ad valorem, 15 per cent., £366 16s 4d. Total, £8618 7s 5d.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

Wheat is quiet at 4s 1½d to 4s 2d. Good malting barley sold at 4s. Cape barley is firmer at 2s 3½d to 2s 4d. Peas are firmer, and sold up to 2s 4d. Bran 11d. Kerosene to arrive is selling at a concession.

There was a quiet share market to-day, but in the limited business done prices generally were well supported. Among investment stocks Commercial Bank changed hands to good extent at a slight advance. Royal was also firmer. There is not much change in others. Union Trustees had a further rise. Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus, and Standard White Lead were also taken at higher prices, the latter having a good rise, and closing firm. Broken Hill Water Supply quitted at reduced prices. Broken Hill Ore Dressing offered at 1s lower. The principal sales were:—City of Melbourne Bank, 89s; Commercial, £7 12s, £7 13s, £7 12s; National, £9 7s; Royal, 25s 6d, 25s 9d; Land Mortgage, 30s; M'Cracken's Brewery, 10s 3d; Perpetual Executors, 40s; Union, 23s; Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus, 27s 9d, 28s; Silverton Tramway, £6 18s, £6 18s 6d; Broken Hill Water Supply, 6s 3d; Cyclorama, new, 5s 6d; Mutual Store, 76s, 75s; Standard White Lead, 3s 6d, 3s 9d.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

[BY CABLE.]

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MARCH 15.

The quantity of wheat and flour afloat to the United Kingdom is estimated at 3,488,000 quarters, and for the Continent at 1,360,000 quarters.

The following are the quotations for the shares of the undermentioned companies:—Union Steamship Company of New Zealand, £10; Orient Steam Navigation Company, £5; P. and O., preferred, £136; P. and O., deferred, £197 10s; New Zealand Shipping Company, £4; Shaw, Savill, and Albion Company, £8 10s.

The price of antimony is £45.

The Antwerp wool sales have opened to a very flat market. River Plate wools fell 10 centimes (slightly over ½d) per lb.

PRODUCE MARKET.—WEDNESDAY.

This morning there was a small attendance of the trade at the Redfern auction sales. The consignments of forage received numbered 14 trucks. Purchases of all sorts were made on a limited scale, at about late rates. At the wharfs the chief shipments came from the Hunter River. Trade did not disclose much activity. Prices of maize were unchanged. Sales of Hunter River lucerne hay were transacted principally for actual wants. The value of bran rules fairly firm. Onions in small request. Good dry sound lots of potatoes were in small supply. There was no material change in late rates of dairy produce. Poultry, especially fowls suitable for table use, sells steadily. The particulars of the business transacted at the Redfern forage auction sales were as follow:—

Hay.—Three trucks forward. Oaten, in bundles, 4s 1d per cwt.; bundled sheaves, 3s 10d; loose, 3s 6d.

Straw.—Four trucks came to hand. Wheaten, in bundles, sold at 1s 11d to 2s per cwt.; oaten, in bundles, 2s.

Chaff.—Seven trucks were received. Superior oaten and wheaten mixed, in bags, 4s 4d to 4s 6d per cwt.; good, 4s; other qualities, including straw chaff, 2s 9d to 3s 10d.

At the wharfs the wholesale quotations were:—

Wheat.—Milling lines nominally worth 4s 9d to 4s 10d per bushel.

Flour.—The current rates were as follow:—Old roller makes, £12 5s to £12 10s per ton; Victorian and South Australian new roller brands, £11 15s to £12 5s; New South Wales, £11 10s; old stone-made flour, £11 to £11 10s.

Bran.—Quoted 10½d to 11d per bushel.

Pollard.—9d per bushel.

Maize.—Good old sound lots steady at 2s 7d to 2s 8d per bushel; weevily, from 2s; new dry maize, 2s 6d to 2s 7d.

Oats.—Seed varieties unchanged 2s 7d to 2s 8d per bushel; best heavy feed, 2s 6d; other qualities, 2s 2d to 2s 4d.

Hay.—Limited supplies of Hunter River lucerne hay were placed on the market this morning. Quotations still range from 38s to £2 15s per ton.

Chaff.—Intercolonial chaff was worth £3 to £4 10s per ton.

Onions.—Ample supplies. The inquiry was slack at £3 10s to £3 15s per ton.

Potatoes.—Colac and Warrnambool potatoes quoted from £3 2s 6d to £3 5s per ton; Circular Head, £4 to £4 5s.

Butter.—The ruling rate for Illawarra factory-made was 1s 3d per lb.; dairy, 1s 1d.

Cheese.—A small Southern ports shipment of 612 arrived yesterday afternoon. Colonial makes, including loaf cheese, 5½d to 6d per lb.

Bacon.—Hand-cured Southern saleable, 7d per lb.; special makes and small lines, to 7½d; machine-cured, 5d to 6d; hams, 6d to 9d.

Lard.—Bulk lard, from 3d per lb.; bladders, 4d.

Eggs.—Moderate supplies. Quotations, 1s 3d to 1s 4d per dozen; for choice lines from the Southern ports, to 1s 6d.

Poultry.—Fowls worth 2s 6d to 3s 6d per pair; ducks, 2s 6d to 3s 3d; geese, 4s 3d to 5s; turkeys, 6s 6d to 10s.

FAT STOCK SALES.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited, report having sold since their last report (directly and indirectly):—20,000 two-tooth ewes for M'Caughey and Co., Dunlop; 11,000 four-tooth ewes for same station; 10,000 ewes for W. H. L. Ranken, Esq., Tongo; 7000 wethers for A. T. Burcher, Esq., Milton; 15,000 fat ewes for Wynne, Hudson, and Co., Terrawynnia; 14,000 wethers for Fanning and Co., Winbar; 8000 wethers for Loughlan and Co., Walltown; 36,000 fat wethers for the Australian Pastoral Company, Cubbie; 9000 wethers for William Devlin and Co., Ganmain; 9100 wethers for Mackay and Copland, Pomingalarna; 12,500 fat wethers for Oreel station; 9500 fat wethers for same station; 8000 fat wethers for J. A. Campbell, Esq., Dungalear; 6000 fat wethers for Mercadool station; 9000 fat wethers for E. Vickery and Sons, Mungyer; 2500 fat wethers for Friend Brothers, Bendenine; 2017 fat ewes for W. and F. A. Moses, Conbadello; 7000 fat wethers for Buffier and Byrne; 3000 fat ewes for Oreel station; 2000 fat ewes for Boolcarrol station; 2018 fat wethers for J. K. Mackay, Esq., Puliaming; 260 rams for Austin and Millear, Wanganella; 10 rams for H. C. White, Esq., Havilah; 45 Lincoln rams and 6 ewes for Donnelly and Co.; 250 bullocks for O'Brien, Cubbold, and Co.; 40 pure bred heifers for H. Chisholm, Esq., Wollongong; 400 bullocks for Lake Nash station; 621 bullocks for F. A. Anning, Esq., Leedy Springs; 1030 cows for the Darling Downs and W. L. Company; 50 shorthorn bulls for Henry Barnes, Esq., Dyraaba. Total sales, 221,950 sheep and 2373 cattle.—[ADVT.]

FISH MARKET.

A good supply of fish was received at the Eastern Market, Woolloomooloo, for the week ended the 12th March. The total amount realised at the week's sales amounted to £744 14s 5d. The consignments came from the following sources:—Harbour, 103 baskets, 9 dozen jewfish, 121 dozen mullet, and 65 baskets prawns; Botany, 137 baskets 6 dozen schnapper, 8½ dozen jewfish, and 167 dozen mullet; Broken Bay, 31 baskets 8 dozen schnapper, and 29 dozen mullet; Tuggerah Lake, 57 baskets 6 dozen jewfish, and 84 dozen mullet; Port Stephens, 80 baskets 4½ dozen jewfish, 93 dozen mullet, and 30 dozen lobsters; Wollongong, 98 baskets 7 dozen jewfish, and 78 dozen mullet; Shoalhaven, 25 baskets; Lake Macquarie, 280 baskets 34 dozen jewfish, and 301 dozen mullet; Clarence River, 36 baskets and 10 dozen mullet; Long Reef, 16 dozen schnapper; Macleay River, 21 baskets and 20 dozen mullet; Port Macquarie, 28 baskets and 31 dozen mullet; and from the Hawkesbury River, 72 baskets 3½ dozen jewfish, and 87 dozen mullet. One hundred and ten baskets were condemned unfit for food. The prices obtained ranged as follow:—Schnapper, 4s to 12s per dozen; squire, 2s 6d to 25s; flathead, 1s 6d to 30s; whiting, 1s 6d to 10s; flounders, 1s 3d to 11s; soles, 1s 6d to 9s; kingfish, 1s to 18s; jew, 1s 9d to 12s; travalin, 1s 6d to 12s; tarwhine, 1s 6d to 7s; salmon, 6d to 9s; mullet, sea, 1s to 7s 6d; long toms, 1s to 7s 6d; parrot fish, 1s to 4s; rock cod, 1s to 12s; leather-jacket, 6d to 1s 6d; eels, 2s to 18s; bream, black, 6s to 48s per basket, 80lb. to 90lb.; garfish, 4s to 40s; blackfish, 4s to 36s; silverbellies, 2s 9d to 20s; mullet, sand, 2s 6d to 27s; travally, 6s to 20s; perch, sea, 4s 9d to 36s; yellowtail, 4s to 15s; tailers, 4s to 24s; mackerel, 4s 3d to 14s; lobsters, 14s to 18s per dozen; prawns, 20s to 85s per basket; dried fish, 2s to 6s per dozen.

OPOSSUMSKINS.

Messrs. Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., J. Bridge and Co., and Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, report holding auction sales yesterday. Small supplies were again submitted, consisting chiefly of inferior sorts. Quotations: Firsts, 6s per dozen; medium grades, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; small, rough, and rumped, 6d to 2s.

ADELAIDE FAT STOCK MARKET.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

Elder, Smith, and Co., Limited, report:—Fat cattle: 470 yarded and sold; 210 from the north, others from graziers. The quality ranged from medium to prime. Sales were generally brisk, and prices fully equal to last week. Prime beef, 18s to 20s per 100lb. We sold 220 cattle and 150 outside. Fat sheep: 12,700 penned. Prime lots scarce and in demand at late prices, others excessively supplied and lower. Graziers took over 2000, leaving nearly 4000 unsold. Prime wethers, 9s to 10s; good, 7s; best ewes, 6s 8d. We sold 2700 sheep.

OCEAN-STREET CABLE TRAMWAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—It has been announced that the Minister for Works intends to proceed at once with the construction of the proposed cable tramway from King-street to Ocean-street, and I propose to show three valid reasons why this work should not be carried out at all, at any rate for the present. First of all, the existing transit service is fairly satisfactory, as the absence of any public outcry for a change plainly shows. Next, the state of our public finances does not warrant such an expenditure just now; and lastly, it should be borne in mind that the great inventor, Edison, recently stated in public that at the Chicago Exhibition he would demonstrate practically how electricity can be made to supersede steam on rail and tramways. If he can do this, and he has a happy knack of successfully carrying out his scientific promises, the most expensive part of the cable tram—the tunnel and its attachments—will be rendered perfectly useless, and the enormous cost of its construction will be so much money wasted. In the interests of myself and my follow-taxpayers I sincerely hope the authorities will see the advisability of deferring the construction of this particular tramline. I am, &c., W. G.

March 16.

NEITHER mind nor body can act healthfully if the blood is vitiated. Cleanse the vital current from impurities by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. This remedy purifies the blood and restores health to the debilitated system.—[ADVT.]

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Broken Hill silver companies were slightly firmer. Proprietary, ex div., left off at £7 11s 6d; Block 10 did not sustain the closing advance of yesterday; Central improved and Junction North, South, and New South were firmer. In gold a sale of Koh-i-noor was noted, and in coal Waratah sold at £5 16s.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The latest quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.			South, New	35/	36/
Burwood	7/6	10/	Imperial	10d	1/2
Extended	—	10/	Hero	1/9	2/6
Hetton	—	90/	Ditto, con.	9d	—
Stockton	11/3	12/	New Exte'ded	6/	6/6
Vale of Clyde	—	6/	Junction, call paid	7/	7/11
Wallsend	84	88	Lubra	2d	3d
Waratah	5¾	6	Mt. Galena	3/	4/
W. Wallsend	—	8/	Mt. Gal., con.	2/2	2/4
W. and B. Dl'd	—	20/	Mt. Stewart	10/	10/6
Ditto, new is.	—	12/	Ditto, con.	7/6	8/
Ditto, prefer'l	—	31/	Round Hill	—	5/
SILVER.			Rising Sun	1d	3d
Pro'tary, ex div.	7/11/	7/12	White Lead	—	4d
Block 14	90/	94/	Victoria Cross	—	9d
Block 10	9/10/	9/11/	GOLD.		
Block Co.	8d	9d	Last Call	—	6d
Central	68/3	68/6	Pambula	—	5/6
Central North	1/6	1/8	Peak Hill	2/10	—
Ditto Block	2/	2/4	Ditto, con.	9d	—
Junction N.	5/9	—	Sunlight	9/	11/
North	2/6	3/2	V'derbilt	1/	—
South	48/6	49/6	True Blue	2/10	3/4

The following sales were effected:—Silver: B. H. Proprietary, ex div., £7 10s, £7 11, £7 11s 6d; Block 10, £9 11s, £9 10s, £9 11s; Central, 68s, 68s 6d; New Extended, 6s; Junction North, 5s 9d; Mount Stewart, 10s 6d. Coal: Waratah, £5 16s.

Stock Exchange of New South Wales.—Sales—Silver: B. H. Proprietary, £7 11s, £7 11s 6d; Block 10, £9 9s, £9 10s, £9 11s; Central, 68s, 68s 6d; New South, 35s 6d; South, 49s; Junction North, 5s 9d, 5s 10d; Mount Galena, contributing, 2s 3d. Gold: New Koh-i-noor, 1s 5d.

The following are the closing quotations, except those corresponding with the figures of the Sydney Stock Exchange:—Coal: Burwood, 20s paid, seller 8s 9d. Copper: Great Cobar, buyer 3s, seller 3s 6d. Silver: Broken Hill Proprietary, buyer £7 11s, seller £7 12s; Block 10, buyer £9 10s, seller £9 11s; Central, buyer 68s, seller 68s 6d; Central Block, seller 2s 6d; Junction, buyer 7s, seller 8s; Junction North, buyer 5s 7d, seller 5s 10d; South, old, buyer 48s 6d, seller 49s 6d; South, new issue, seller 35s 6d; Block 5, buyer 2s 3d; Imperial Broken Hill, seller 1s 1d; New Broken Hill Extended, seller 6s 3d; Hero, buyer 1s 11½d, seller 2s 2d; Hero, contributing, buyer 9d, seller 1s 3d; Mount Galena, contributing, buyer 2s 2d, seller 2s 4d; Mount Stewart, buyer 10s 3d, seller 10s 6d; North Central, seller 2s. Gold: Baker's Creek, seller 30s; Duke of Westminster, buyer 4s 3d; Golden Gully, buyer 1s 6d, seller 1s 11d; Great Mercury, seller 2s; Last Call, seller 6d; New Koh-i-noor, buyer 1s 4d, seller 1s 5d; Pambula, seller 5s; Sunlight, seller 10s 6d; Victory, Charters Towers, buyer £6 10s.

MINING NOTES.

A meeting of the Broken Hill Ore-dressing and Smelting Company was held in Melbourne on Monday, when resolutions of voluntary liquidation were agreed to. The company will therefore be reconstructed with a view of making it a trading concern for purchasing ores and bullion for smelting purposes. The field of the company's operations is Tasmania.

Next week the Jersey and the Just-in-Time mines of Nianguls expect to be in work again, and employing 15 hands each. The recent antimony find at Paradise is not considered by Mr. Warden Frappel to be very encouraging.

The return from Mount Morgan for February was 6006½ tons crushed for a yield of 9379½oz. of gold.

The Paradise Golden Crown Gold-mining Company, of Paradise, North Queensland, has been successfully floated into a public company by a Melbourne syndicate. The shares number 36,000 of 10s.

The Mount Rose and Stockman Junction Gold Mine, at Eidsvold, Queensland, crushed during the four weeks prior to 23rd February 570 tons of stone for a yield of 857oz. of gold. The whole of No. 1 East Mount Rose is considered to be a mass of auriferous stone that may average 1½oz. to the ton, and worth about £3 12s per oz. Were it not for the Frue vanners the loss of fine gold would exceed 25 per cent.; but the vanner concentrates are over 10oz. of gold per ton. The Huntington mill and Frue vanner, with a corrugated belt, will be kept to treat the accumulated tailings of many past years.

The Central Broken Hill Silver-mining Company has declared a dividend (the thirteenth) of 1s per share, which will be payable on the 14th April next.

The value of the dirt obtained by the Times Syndicate from the Standard Lead alluvial of Gulgong is estimated at 1oz. of gold per load. There are now 40 loads at grass.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

Share Report.—There was a very limited business in gold companies to-day. Great South Long Tunnel had a further reduction; lower prices were accepted for Chalk's No. 1, Earl of Hopetoun, and Star of the East; Antimony Hill was firm, and Princess Dagmar was high.

The latest sales were: Chalk's, 35s 6d; Chalk's No. 1, at 25s; Grand Duke, 16s; Great South Long Tunnel, 6s 7d, 5s 3d; Great South Long Tunnel, paid up, 8s, 7s; Great Northern Extended, £5 3s 6d, £5 4s 6d; Johnson, 33s, 33s 6d; Long Tunnel Extended, £9 12s 6d; Madam Berry, 37s 6d; Star of the East, £8 9s, £8 10s 6d; Working Miners, 5s 9d; Antimony, 1s 1d, 1s 2d; Earl of Hopetoun, paid, 1s 8d, 1s 9d; New Argus, 19s.

Broken Hill silver companies opened firm, and rather higher prices were realised for Proprietary and Central, whilst the full rates of yesterday were sustained for others, but the market was weak at the close. The quotations for Proprietary are ex dividend. Tasmanian silver companies were very little dealt in.

The latest sales were:—B. H. Proprietary, £7 13s, £7 11s 6d; Block 10, £9 13s, £9 11s; Block 14, 92s; South, paid, 50s; Broken Extended, 6s 6d; Central, paid, 68s 6d, 68s; Pinnacle Amalgamated, 1s 1d; Victoria Cross, 9d; Tasmania Adelaide, 1s; Austral, 1s 11d; Bell's Reward, 1s 1d, 1s 1½d; Central Dundas, 2s 3d—paid, 4s 4d; Maestries, paid, 22s, 21s 6d.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Barrier Ranges Silver-mining Company, Limited, to-day passed a resolution for winding-up the company voluntarily.

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

Share Report.—Sales: Wallaroo and Moonta, 20s; Hamley, 14s; Baker's Creek, 27s 6d; Fraser's South, pro., 9s 4½d; Block 10, £9 13s 6d, £9 11s; B. H. Proprietary, colonial register, £7 11s 3d; Block 14, 93s 6d; Central, paid, 68s; South, paid, 49s 6d; Old British, 18s; New B. H. Extended, 6s 6d; Junction North, 5s 9d; Ediacra Consols, 5s; Junction, 7s 9d.

CHARTERS TOWERS, WEDNESDAY.

A phenomenal trial crushing of stone from the Victory mine has just been cleaned up. In No. 2 shaft the Brilliant reef has been intersected, and is 7ft. in width. From this shaft 214½ tons of stone have been obtained, and when crushed gave 1492oz. 13dwt. of gold, in value about £5252, the average yield being nearly 7oz. to the ton. About 90 tons of the same quality of stone are now in the paddock. A number of shareholders and others assembled at the mine yesterday afternoon when the red flag was hoisted. The shares have greatly risen in value.

A considerable comment has been made here in the press by local shareholders who allege that information was sent to the Sydney shareholders as to the probable result of the crushing with the view of giving the southern owners first information, and thereby enabling them to sell to advantage as against local holders of scrip. This is denied by the local managing director, Mr. Thos. Buckland. In the meantime it has been decided to hold a meeting of the local shareholders at Marsland and Marsland's office on Friday night. The result of that meeting cannot much affect the value of the shares, as from all account the reef struck in No. 2 shaft is big enough to be permanent. So far it is all in the sink, and no driving has been started.

Mining business is generally the same as in my last report, but there are some signs of improvement, several mines in the locality of the Brilliant having struck fresh finds. Clark's Worcester and Victory, adjoining the Victory, have also driven on this formation at a depth of 480ft. from the surface, where they came on to the same rich leaders, and these have since made into a reef one foot wide, of the good quality stone. Shares in this claim have consequently gone up, and thousands have changed hands, the sellers' prices now being 8s.

Brilliant and St. George had a spurt on the strength of 3in. of stone which was struck in No. 1 crosscut, and their market price is now 22s, buyers. Mills' United reports good work done under new management; buyers, 25s. In the Brilliant work is going on as usual, with every probability of the usual dividend continuing. The Hidden Treasure started the crushing of 400 tons, which is expected to go 3oz. to the ton. Shares have therefore gone up to 8s 2d buyer, and are in great demand. The Victoria is hauling good stone, and the price of its shares is 54s buyer, 56s seller.

The following are the latest sales:—Brilliant Extended, contributing, 2s; Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory, 8s; Hidden Treasure No. 1 South, 1s; Lord Stanley P.C., paid up, 5d; Mills's United, 25s; New Hidden Treasure, 8s 6d.

The following are the latest quotations:—Alabama, contributing, seller 6d—paid up, seller 8d; Agnes Housen, buyer 3d; Brilliant St. George United, contributing, buyer 22s 7d, seller 23s 6d—paid up, buyer 22s, seller 23s 11d; Brilliant Central, seller 4s 6d; Brilliant Block, paid up, buyer 25s 6d, seller 27s; Brilliant Extended, contributing, buyer 1s 11d—paid up, buyer 5s 3d; Brilliant Extended Block, paid up, seller 2s 6d; Brilliant Freehold, contributing, 3s 9d—paid up, seller 10s; Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory, buyer 8s, seller 8s 1d; Craven's Caledonia, buyer 4s 6d; Currency Lass, buyer 1d; Day Dawn 4A West, buyer 1s 6d, seller 2s 6d; Guiding Star, paid up, buyer 3d, seller 6d; Golden Gate, buyer 3s 4d; Hidden Treasure, buyer 11½d, seller 1s 1d; Kelly's Queen's Block, seller 8d; Lord Stanley, paid up, buyer 5d, seller 5½d; Lady Maria, seller 1s 6d; Mill's United, buyer 25s; Muldiva Silver, contributing, seller 3s 3d; New Hidden Treasure, buyer 5s 8d, seller 5s 9½d; New Grace Darling, buyer 7d, seller 7½d; No. 7 N.E. Queen, buyer 15s 3d, seller 15s 9d; No. 2 S.E. Day Dawn, buyer 11½d, seller 1s 2d; No. 1 E. Sunburst, buyer 3s 5d, seller 5s 9d; Queen Cross Reef, buyer 3s 11d, seller 4s 2d; S.E. Brilliant, buyer 7d, seller 9d; United Queen Consols, buyer 1s; Victoria and Caledonia Block, contributing, buyer 2s; Victoria and Caledonia Block, paid up, buyer 5s; Victory, buyer £6 10s, seller £6 17s; Victoria No. 1 West, buyer 3s 1½d, seller 3s 4d.

GIMPIE, WEDNESDAY.

The Stock Exchange quotations are:—Crown and Phoenix, buyers 1s 9d, sellers 1s 10d, sales 1s 9d; South Glanmire and Monkland, buyers 3s 3d; Great New Zealand, buyers 2s 6d.

BROKEN HILL, WEDNESDAY.

The sinking of the main shaft in the South Mine has been discontinued so as to allow of a chamber being cut at the 625ft. level. The shaft is down 21ft. below that level, and the bottom consists of schist with no indication of any immediate change. The work of cutting the plat was commenced yesterday. The eastern crosscut at the 625ft. level is in 85ft., but the results obtained here have not been of a most glowing description, for the ore disclosed consists of sulphide about 15ft. in width, and of the usual low grade. The face at present consists of country rock. The south drive is in 66ft. in soft galena. Yesterday morning a start was made to sink a winze in this material, and at a depth of about 8ft. water came in at the rate of over 3000 gallons an hour. Pumping machinery has been provided, and it is fortunate that th s supply has been met with, for the main shaft had become pretty dry. The smelters are now well supplied with water, and it is likely, when the supply grows less, that it will only be necessary to sink the winze another few feet in order to get a larger quantity. The diamond drill is being put to work on the face of the western crosscut, at the 625ft. level, and now it is in 58ft. in country rock. The hauling shaft is down 50ft. below the 400ft. level, and water is coming in there at the rate of 3000 gallons daily; pumping machinery is about to be provided, and the shaft is now being timbered. The eastern crosscut at the 400ft. level is in 170ft., and at the 300ft. level the western crosscut in the same direction is in 176ft. in garnet sandstone, mixed schist, and galena respectively. The stopes are looking well, and very fine faces of ore are being opened up. No difficulty is experienced in keeping the furnaces supplied with good smelting material. A new stope has been commenced at a point about 150ft. north of the hauling shaft at the 400ft. level, where, as previously telegraphed, a very extensive body of carbonate ore has been exposed. Square sets have already been put in for a width of about 25ft. across the lode, and there is still splendid ore showing in the face, with no indications of the hanging wall. Another crosscut further northwards is in 20ft. in the same ore body, and without disclosing the wall.

Work is progressing at Block 6 shaft, and an incline shaft is being thrown up from the 300ft. level to connect with the old shaft for purposes of ventilation. The ground is very hard.

TUENA, WEDNESDAY.

Mr. H. M. Mills, manager of the Lucky Hit Gold Mine, near Tuena, reports having taken out a large parcel of very rich specimens from the calcite vein in the north drive; also some extremely rich stone from the big underlay in this shaft. There are now nine strong veins, most of which are gold-bearing, and are all converging towards the big lime vein in the footwall. A box of specimens of the good stone is leaving by this day's coach for Sydney.

CONDOBOLIN, WEDNESDAY.

Messrs. James E. Bouffier and party have brought into town this afternoon some splendid specimens of stone containing gold taken at a depth of 2ft. 6in. from the surface on Condobolin Run, distant about two miles from town. For a distance of 700ft. the reef has been pegged out. Shepherd and party have for some time past found payable gold within half a mile of the present find. Their stone averages 2ft. in width, but a trial crushing has not yet been made, but the specimens augur well. Great excitement exists here over the finds.

CARCOAR, WEDNESDAY.

The Carbine Alluvial Company, of Forest Reefs, have started erecting their battery. The Lord Jersey mine is still in full swing, and is expected to bottom daily. At Errowanbang a party has just started prospecting the alluvial ground. The country being mostly of a basaltic nature, a good deal of ground in this neighbourhood is as yet untried. For the past 18 months Crow's reef on Flyer's Creek has been worked, and continues favourable. The owners have just sent 2 tons for treatment to the metropolis, and good results are anticipated.

RETURNS.

Starlight Gold, Niangula (wire), March 15.—The result of 23 tons of stone crushed was 51oz. of retorted gold equal to 2oz. 4dwt. 8gr. per ton.

Band of Hope, Gold, Charters Towers (wire), March 16.—282 tons from the Freehold paddock have yielded a return f 491oz. 11dwts. of smelted gold. Crushing is now being ontinued with stone from the company's paddock.

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

New Hargraves Gold, March 12.—Western drive extended 9ft., total 37oft. Have met with another large influx of water, which is coming from a flat seam in the rock. The country is much harder than it was, with a few threads of quartz dipping west. South drive extended 10ft., total 16ft. The small oblique vein has dipped under foot, and the little blue vein still continues on. Bond's 62ft. shaft: Have logged up and made horse walk, also put in ladders, and started to drive south on a likely-looking north and south reef carrying gold.

Pambula Gold, March 12.—Sunk shaft 3ft.; ground still very hard. The hanging wall at the tunnel level has been shot away sufficiently to allow the tramway to pass, and will now lay the rails at once. Started winding with the whip. Water has increased considerably since the last rain. Tender accepted to drive the tunnel 50ft. at £1 9s 6d per foot.

True Blue Gold, Croydon (Q.), March 14.—There is foul air in the mine, but it has moderated now. The contractors have sunk on the underlay 10ft. during the past week.

Bonanza Consols Silver, March 11.—Block 81: Shaft 140ft. deep. Tenders for crosscutting to the lode are being called. Block 39: Shaft 76ft. deep; now in schist and arsenical pyrites, which is good indication of highly mineralised country. Block 164: Shaft 53ft. 9in.; the contractors have given up, and fresh tenders are being called to continue the shaft to 150ft.

New Year's Gift Gold, Swamp Oak, March 14.—Stone in south stope is 16in. thick, showing splendid gold; now getting out a crushing, and started three shifts. Shaft from south boundary is distant 100ft.; walls are improved, and getting better defined. Have washed very fair prospects, and intend one shaft to sink in view of picking up another make of stone, and the others to take out stone just passed through.

Starlight Gold, Niangula, March 15.—The crushing of 23 tons of general stuff at the local battery is now being cleaned up, and in appearance promises a return of 1½oz. to 2oz. of gold to the ton. Have been steadily breaking good samples of gold bearing stone from stopes in south shaft, and one shift is sinking near the south boundary, where the reef is 9in. thick. The country is unsettled. Preparations for baling out main shaft are in progress, and whips and horse track are all complete.

Galena Proprietary, Deepwater, March 11.—Shaft sunk 2ft. through galena sulphides, which are without change. Six tons of No. 1 ore are in the paddock, of which an average sample will be sent to the Sydney office. Total depth of shaft, 39ft. 6in., and 30ft. of ladders have been put in.

Adelong Gold, March 12.—322ft. level: Driven 19ft. south; for first 10ft. the reef was about 1in. wide of fair stone, but pinched to 4in., and is now making again. No. 1 stope north of winze extended 5ft., reef 6in. payable stone. No. 2 stope extended 2ft., and is about the same. No. 1 in size and quality. No. 1 stope south from winze extended 18ft., reef 8in. of fair mundic stone. No. 2 stope extended 8ft. Forty-eight tons of stone are at grass, and is being carted to the battery with the company's horses.

Mount Look Gold, March 12.—Contractors have driven a further distance of 17ft., making total 87ft. Country still continues good.

New Baker's Creek North Gold, Hillgrove, March 14.—During week south drive on No. 3 reef, at 2 5ft. level, extended 9ft., making 36ft. from crosscut; lode 4in. wide. At this point we have started to crosscut west to cut Nos. 1 and 2 reefs. The rise at back of above level risen 8ft., making 28ft.; lode is 4in. wide, consisting of several small quartz veins.

Sunlight Gold, Hillgrove (wire), March 15.—Started brake gear to-day. New rope and trucks run splendidly. Require no steam lowering material.

Bingera Gold, Bingera, March 15.—Winze now cleared of water, and sinking commenced on the 12th instant. The reef in winze is fully 4ft. wide, and shows nice gold. About three tons were sent up yesterday.

Kurrajong Gold, March 12.—North level driven 6ft.; total distance from shaft, 48ft. Reef about 5in., carrying heavy mundic. South level driven 4ft.; distance from shaft, 44ft. Reef, 8in. Despatched samples to the Clyde works, and they gave a return of 4oz. 2dwt. per ton. It was recommended that the ore be hand-dressed and sold on assay value, for the stone must be chlorinated, as the wet process will not save the gold.

Block 5, Broken Hill, March 12.—During week main shaft sunk and timbered 8ft., total 842ft.; country passed through consists of mineralised garnet and schistose rock with kaolin seams. There has been a vertical wall on the west side of shaft for last 20ft. A slight mishap with sinking cage has caused delay.

Broken Hill South Silver, March 15.—Struck water in the winze on the 625ft. level, and find it sufficient for all purposes.

BROKEN HILL WATER SUPPLY SHARES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—During the past few days I have been so frequently asked questions relating to the 30,000 shares in Broken Hill Water Supply, limited (Stephen's Creek Company), issued to the nominees of the Broken Hill Waterworks Company, Limited, of Sydney, and the facts of the transaction have been so grossly misrepresented by certain individuals, that it may be well for me, as the executive officer of the Sydney company, to state, once and for all, that the said shares were issued in accordance with an agreement entered into between representative directors of the respective companies on the 26th August, 1890, which agreement was submitted to extraordinary general meetings of shareholders of both companies, and duly ratified.

The notice convening the meeting of Broken Hill Water Supply, Limited (Stephen's Creek Company), sets out clearly and distinctly the conditions on which the Sydney company were to receive the said shares, and runs as follows:—"That the directors be, and they hereby are authorised, at their absolute discretion, to issue 30,000 of such new shares to the Broken Hill Water Works Company, Limited, of New South Wales, or to such person or persons as such company shall by writing under its corporate seal direct, upon payment to this company of 5s for each share to be so issued, leaving thereon an unpaid liability of 15s per share."

Each of the shareholders of the Sydney Company having paid to me their full proportion of the said 5s per share on 30,000 shares, I obtained a bank credit for £7500, and personally went to Melbourne, paid the money, and received the shares. Before the shares could be distributed a call of 2s per share was made. This was also paid to and remitted by me to Melbourne. After that the shares were distributed, and each shareholder had to attend to his own calls, which have been made with persistent regularity until the shares are now paid up to 15s.

No shareholder in the Sydney Company received any promoters' shares, or in fact any share or shares for which he did not pay full par value, and any statement to the contrary is untrue, no matter by whom made.

I am, &c.,

J. M. PAXTON.

March 16.

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

CAMPERDOWN.

The council met on Tuesday night, there being present: The Mayor (Alderman Procter), Aldermen Sparkes, Bennett, Morgan, Cahill, Larken, Probert, and Porter. Accounts amounting to £62 15s 4d were passed for payment. The payments since the last meeting were announced to amount to £115 17s 3d; and there was now a debit balance of £4704 15s 4d on the general account, and a credit balance of £167 4s 5d on the lighting account. In reply to questions by Alderman Bennett, the Mayor stated (1) that no money was available for expenditure on each ward after a deduction of current expenses was made proportionately up to date; (2) that £1693 12s 3½d on general works and £765 15s 3d on lighting had been expended in Cook Ward during the last three years, and £285 19s 6d was still outstanding for metal; (3) that he did not think he would take any further steps to protect the streets of Kingston Ward from being cut up by the Water and Sewerage Board, or to compel the restoration of the streets to their original condition. A letter from Newtown Council, suggesting the substitution of guttering for the drain pipes in Bishopgate-street, was received and referred to the works committee. Kogarah Council requested co-operation in a motion affirming the desirability of extending the railway into the city. The communication was received. Mr. Inspector Hodge wrote thanking the council for extending his leave of absence by six weeks. The following motions were dealt with:—By Alderman Larkin,—"That the Postmaster-General be asked to erect a letter-box at the corner of Smith-street and the Parramatta-road." Carried. By Alderman Cahill,—"That a call of the council be made at its next ordinary meeting to rescind a resolution passed on the 1st instant, viz., 'That accounts be kept for each ward of the borough separately, and after charging proportionate shares of interest and working expenses to the several wards, the balance be used for the wards in which the money is collected.'" Ruled out of order. By Alderman Probert,—"That the northern side of Eton-street be kerbed and guttered at a probable cost of from £15 to £20." Carried. By Alderman Larkin,—"That a call of the council be made for the purpose of rescinding resolutions passed on the 16th February, 1892, viz.: 1. 'That the works committee consist of one alderman from each ward and the Mayor.' 2. 'That the lighting committee consist of one alderman from each ward and the Mayor.'" Carried. By Alderman Sparkes,—"That a joint deputation of the Newtown and Camperdown Councils wait upon the Commissioners for Railways in order to secure the extension of the 2d sections of the King and George street service to Australia-street, Newtown, and Camperdown." Lost on the Mayor's casting vote.

ENFIELD.

The Enfield Municipal Council met on the 11th instant. Present—the Mayor (Alderman Groth), Aldermen James Eve, M.L.A., Hotson, Eaton, Matheson, Haynes, Lipscomb, West and Westbrook. A letter was received from the Colonial Secretary's Department asking for local information in connection with the labour bureau. Alderman Westbrook strongly objected to a reply being sent, and moved,—"That the letter be consigned to the waste-basket." He considered the letter an insult, and that the Government could do better by relieving distress with the salaries paid to the officials at the bureau. Eventually it was decided not to furnish information. The Registrar-General sent plans of properties for which applications for certificates of indefeasible title had been applied for. The Ashfield Borough Council wrote respecting the proposed readjustment of the boundaries of the boroughs of Ashfield and Enfield. The Mayor subsequently reported the result of the conference. Alderman Westbrook moved,—"That a letter be sent to the Colonial Secretary under the seal of the council asking that the boundaries be readjusted to the centre of Green Hills-street." The motion was carried. Regarding a threat of a landowner to fence in a reserve in Green Hills-street, it was resolved to endorse the action of Ashfield Council in refusing to take any action in the matter. Curtis and Barry, solicitors, on behalf of Mr. A. A. Erskine, sought to have a fresh summons issued against the inspector of nuisances for an alleged breach of the bylaws; and threatening the Mayor with a mandamus unless their wish was complied with. Left in the hands of the Mayor. The Clerk of Petty Sessions, Newtown, wrote a letter having reference to the appeal court. Accounts amounting to £39 15s 4d were passed for payment, upon certificate from the finance committee. It was resolved to write to the owners of two abandoned tenements, asking them to remove the same, as the places were a public nuisance. Attention was drawn to the length of time occupied in laying the duplicate watermain, when it was decided to inform the contractor that extra care should be taken in closing and protecting the thoroughfares. Works amounting to £105 were passed and ordered to be carried out. It was also resolved to collect the current rates half-yearly instead of annually as heretofore.

NORTH SYDNEY.

A meeting was held on Tuesday evening, there being present—Aldermen Phillips (Mayor), Anderson, Bell, Board, Blackstone, E. M. Clark, G. T. Clarke, Harnett, Hagan, Moodie, M'Burney, Punch, and Smith. Communications from Dr. Robertson and Mr. Edward Lee, relative to the retaining walls being erected in Campbell-street, were left with the Mayor to deal with. In reply to Alderman M'Burney, the Mayor said the money for building the culverts at Careening Cove and Neutral Bay had been provided on the Estimates, and that the Government undoubtedly intended to proceed with the work as soon as the money was available; that Kirribilli Ward had 110 lights, and that its lighting rate was sufficient to cover 130 lights. The Mayor also said, in reply to Alderman Blackstone, that house refuse was still being deposited in Cammeray Park, but in an inefficient manner, and he intended to ask the works committee to meet him for the purpose of considering this. Alderman Harnett moved,—"That Magic-street be cleared from Glenalpine-street to King-street, at a probable cost of £5." Carried. Alderman Blackstone moved,—"That a special vote of thanks be accorded the hon. the Minister for Works for the consideration shown this borough, by his having accepted tenders for the construction of the main outfall sewer ending at Willoughby Falls." Carried. Alderman Punch moved,—"That the Government be requested to make provision for the storm-water drainage of the borough by the construction of the necessary culverts, and that the cost of the same be charged against the general sewerage of the district." Carried. Alderman Board moved,—"That the works committee report upon the advisability and cost of placing a stone kerb and water channel on the north side of Rosalind-street, between the intersections of West-street and Miller-street; that a tar-metal crossing be laid in Church-street at its intersection with M'Laren-street at a cost of £4; that the levels and plans of the following streets in the Queen's Park Estate be referred to the works committee for approval, with the recommendation that they be advertised in the usual way, viz., Brook-street, Massey-street, and Armstrong-street from Jenkins-street to Massey-street." These resolutions were carried. Alderman G. T. Clarke moved the adoption of a new bylaw altering the hour of meeting from 7.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Alderman Blackstone seconded, and Aldermen M'Burney, E. M. Clark, and Moodie opposed the motion, which, after an animated discussion, was carried by eight to five, and the seal of the council was attached to the new bylaw. Alderman Blackstone's motion having reference to the formation and raising of Alfred-street was referred to the works committee. It was resolved that the Public Works Department be asked to complete the metalling of Falcon-street to its full width between Miller and Merlin streets. On the motion of Alderman G. T. Clarke, it was decided that the works committee be asked to report on the repairs necessary in Union-street, Victoria Ward. The following recommendations of the works committee, postponed from last meeting, were adopted:—Two traps to be placed on drain in High-street, at an estimated cost of £30; a track to be formed for access to houses in Doris-street, at a cost of £25; that William-street, from Blue's Point-road to Blue-street, be formed and ballasted, at a cost of £100; that the eastern side of Napier-street and northern side of Charles-street be kerbed, guttered, and footpath formed, at a cost of £57; that a retaining-wall be built and roadway filled in same in Flagstaff View-street, near Mr. T. A. Dibbs', at a cost of £10. A large number of additional recommendations by the committee were, in view of the financial position of the council, referred back to them. The council declined to alter their previous decisions in the matters brought under their notice by Messrs. S. R. Underwood, A. Dixon, and the trustee of Powell's estate. Permission was given to Mr. T. H. Parsons to erect a balcony at shops in Miller-street. The various reports from committees and the engineer were made orders of the day for next meeting.

ST. PETERS.

The fortnightly meeting of the above council was held on Monday evening, the Mayor (Alderman E. J. Harber) in the chair. There were also present: Aldermen Baker, Geering, A. Harber, Fallick, Hayes, Edwards, and Judd. The Board of Health wrote, forwarding a report by Dr. R. T. Paton on the nuisance caused by boiling-down establishments on the banks of Shea's Creek, and intimating that a copy of the report had been sent to Alexandria Council. The report, which was subsequently read, stated that three places had been visited, viz., Brandt's Duck Farm, Eve Bros.' wool-scouring establishment, and the Sydney Soap and Candle Company. The two last-named, it stated, were undoubtedly noxious trades. It also stated that there were other sources of pollution distinct from the premises enumerated. On the motion of Alderman Fallick the letter was received, and it was resolved to write to Alexandria Council urging the desirability of some decisive action being taken to remedy the nuisance. A letter from the Transit Commissioners requesting a return of all the aldermen of the council was received. The Fire Brigades Board wrote requesting the council to forward a lithographed plan of the borough, for the purpose of marking off the places where it is intended to erect fire alarms. Received. The Kogarah Council wrote, forwarding copy of a resolution passed at its last meeting, with reference to the extension of the railway into the city. On the motion of Alderman A. Harber, the letter was received, and it was resolved that this council do its utmost to forward the movement. The Public Works Department wrote, notifying the council that, owing to a defective pile in the Shea's Creek Bridge it could not be opened for two or three weeks. Received. The Water and Sewerage Board wrote in reply to a communication from the council stating that the water-main in Hart-street would be proceeded with. Received. Mr. George Farr wrote in reply to the council's communication regretting his inability to take the position of borough treasurer. It was resolved to write to Mr. Fleming, manager of the local branch of the Bank of Australasia, asking him to accept the position. The auditors' report for the half-year was read and adopted, and authorised to be published. The finance committee's report, recommending payment of accounts amounting to £26 0s 2d, was read and adopted. The report of the inspector of nuisances, recommending that several dairy licenses be granted, was read and adopted. The works committee reported that several works which had been done recently had been visited and found satisfactory, and they recommended the payment for them. Adopted. Under the heading of "Questions," Alderman Geering asked, "How much special lighting rate has been collected, and how much has been paid away, in each of the wards in each year since the lighting rate was struck up to the 5th February, 1892; and if any deficiency or any surplus, and, if any, what amount in each ward and each year up to the 5th February, 1892?" The Mayor replied that he had not, so far, been able to collect the information, but he would supply it as soon as possible. The following motions were carried:—By Alderman Judd,—"That a letter be forwarded to the manager of the Bank of Australasia (St. Peters branch), asking him to accept position of treasurer for the now current municipal year." By Alderman Judd,—"That the sum of £4 be now voted for recognition of services rendered by our late treasurer for two years past." This concluded the business, and the council rose at 10.55.

STRATHFIELD.

At the meeting of the council held on Tuesday, there being present Aldermen Fraser (Mayor), Parsons, Dr. Hurst, Allen, and M'Kenzie, the following motions were carried:—Moved by Alderman Allen,—"That a bridge be constructed over the creek at Elston-street, between Homebush and Flemington, at a probable cost of £35;" by Alderman M'Kenzie,—"That an asphalt strip be laid in Broughton-road, from Meredith-street to the Homebush-road, at a probable cost of £20;" and by Alderman Dr. Hurst,—"That the southern water-table of Homebush-crescent be concreted from Bridge-street to Meredith-street, at a probable cost of £30."

WILLOUGHBY.

A meeting was held on Monday, there being present: Aldermen Small (Mayor), Forsyth, Baum, Bailey, Catt, Howarth, Landers, and Fleming. In reply to a demand from the Water and Sewerage Board for £35, water rates, the council clerk was instructed to reply that the demand was premature, no mains having yet been laid. Accounts amounting to £218 were passed for payment. In reply to Alderman Fleming the Mayor promised to obtain the borough solicitor's account up to the end of last year. Alderman Landers moved,—"That about five chains of George-street, commencing at Mann's corner, and extending up the hill, be repaired." Carried. Alderman Howarth moved,—"That the waterholes in Moriarty-road be cleaned out." Carried. Alderman Fleming moved,—"That in the opinion of this council, in defining the boundaries of the electorate of Willoughby, to be created by the Redistribution of Seats Bill, such electorate should comprise only the borough of Willoughby and the parish of Gordon." Alderman Howarth seconded and Alderman Catt supported the motion, which was carried. Alderman Fleming moved,—"That in view of the large increase of population certain to ensue upon the extension of the railway to Milson's Point, it is neither desirable nor necessary to include the late borough of Victoria—with which the rural districts of Willoughby and Gordon have no community of interest—with this electorate merely with a view to the balance of population." The motion was agreed to without discussion, and it was ordered that the resolutions be communicated to the Colonial Secretary and the members for the electorate. The tender of J. Montgomery was accepted for retaining-wall at Centennial-avenue at 16s 8d per perch, and that of J. Bellman for road formation at Greenwich at £6.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

SYDNEY OBSERVATORY.

MARCH 16.

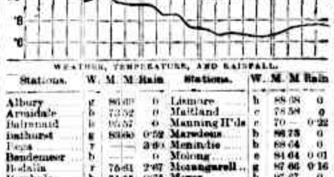
LATITUDE, 33°51' 41" S.; LONGITUDE, 10h. 4m. 59·8s. E.; MAGNETIC VARIATION, 9°35' 37" E.

Average annual rainfall for 33 years .... 50·395
Average for 34 years from January 1 to February 29... 9·220
Total rainfall from January 1, 1892, to March 16 .... 18·895
Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m. to-day .... 29·672

Barometers corrected to 32 Fah. and mean sea level.

The Time Ball drops 1 p.m. Sydney mean time, 2h. 55m. 9·18s. a.m. Greenwich mean time.

STATE OF BAROMETERS.



WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, AND RAINFALL.

Stations.	W.	M. M.	Rain	Stations.	W.	M. M.	Rain
Albury	g	86 59	0	Lismore	b	88 68	0
Armidale	b	73 52	0	Maitland	c	78 58	0
Balranald	b	95 57	0	Manning H'ds	c	70 —	0·22
Bathurst	g	83 60	0·52	Marsdens	b	86 73	0
Bega	r	—	3·00	Menindie	b	88 64	0
Bendemeer	b	—	0	Molong	c	84 64	0·01
Bodalla	r	76 61	2·67	Mossgarell	g	87 66	0·16
Bombala	b	71 55	0·75	Moree	b	97 67	0
Bourke	b	101 68	0	Moruya	r	77 60	1·92
Bowral	g	70 50	0·23	Moss Vale	r	66 58	0·46
Brewarrina	b	100 72	0	Mount Hope	c	98 78	0
Broken Hill	b	92 51	0	Mt. Victoria	c	61 54	0
Bundarra	b	81 49	0	Mudgee	b	84 66	0·06
Camd'n Hav'n	b	80 61	0·16	Mungindi	b	96 60	0
Cape St. Geo.	r	75 62	2·67	Mur'mburrah	g	80 66	0
Carcoar	g	75 49	0·04	Murrurundi	g	72 62	0
Casino	b	80 66	0·05	Musw'llbrook	b	78 66	0
Cassilis	c	78 57	0	Narrabri	b	89 66	0
Clarence	b	83 71	0	Newcastle	g	73 65	0·61
Cobar	b	86 71	0	Orange	c	74 60	0·07
Condobolin	g	93 72	0	Picton	g	78 64	0·08
Cooma	r	78 54	0·70	Pt. Macquarie	b	78 64	0
Coonab'r'br'n	g	87 57	0	Pt. Stephens	c	71 64	2·21
Coonamble	b	95 66	0	Queanbeyan	p	81 46	0·48
Cowra	g	89 70	0·05	Quirindi	b	85 66	0
Cudgellico	c	94 65	0	Scone	b	78 62	0·02
Deniliquin	b	95 59	0	Singleton	g	79 66	0
Dubbo	g	90 67	0	Sydney	r	71 66	0·97
Eden	-	—	-	Tabulam	b	88 —	0
Euston	g	90 60	0	Tamworth	c	76 64	0
Forbes	g	85 69	0	Taralga	g	—	0·89
Gabo Island	p	72 64	0·92	Taree	b	—	0
Glen Innes	b	75 46	0	Tenterfield	b	83 57	0
Goulburn	r	78 58	1·63	Wagga	g	88 64	0·09
Grafton	b	90 67	0·04	Walcha	b	70 49	0
Gulgong	c	80 66	0	Walgett	b	92 71	0
Gunnedah	c	90 55	0	Warialda	b	83 59	0
Hay	c	93 64	0	Wentworth	g	78 55	0
Hillston	b	98 68	0	Warrie Creek	b	73 61	0
Inverell	b	80 50	0	Wilcannia	b	96 56	0
Jerry's Plains	c	82 67	0	Wollongong	p	78 58	0·24
Katoomba	g	66 55	0·30	Young	r	89 63	0·13
Kiandra	u	63 49	0·37				

(Explanatory.—Weather: b, fine; c, cloudy; d, drizzling; f, fog; g, dull; h, hazy; m, misty; n, frosty; o, overcast; p, showery; q, squally; r, raining; s, snowing; t, thunder; u, threatening; v, stormy; w, hot wind; M. M., maximum and minimum readings of thermometers.)

SYNOPSIS.

New South Wales.—Unsettled generally, still showery on parts of the coast, fine in the north.

Victoria and Straits.—Generally cloudy, and in parts threatening or showery.

South Australia.—Generally cloudy to gloomy.

Queensland.—Generally fine and clear, or fine but cloudy.

Central and Northern Australia.—Generally fine and clear.

Tasmania.—Fine and clear generally.

New Zealand.—Gloomy generally.

FORECASTS.

New South Wales: Light to moderate variable winds S.E. to S.W., weather unsettled and showery on high lands and coast, fine in Western districts.—H. C. RUSSELL. Victoria: Cloudy and unsettled, and in parts showery, S.E. and S. winds.—R. L. J. ELLERY. South Australia: Generally cloudy and inland fine, misty light showers over southern ranges and coast, especially to the S.E.; S. and S.E. winds.—C. TODD.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN PREVIOUS 24 HOURS.

* New South Wales: Light to heavy on coast, ranges, and at isolated places inland. Victoria: Light to heavy at many places.

3 P.M. OBSERVATIONS.

Deniliquin, S., cloudy, 82°; Forbes, calm, cloudy, 78°; Cape St. George, S.E., showery, 69°; Wentworth, S.S.W., cloudy; Eden, S.W., showery, 79°; Port Macquarie, S.W., fine, 80°; Wilcannia, S.W., fine, 82°; Bourke, W., fine, 85°; Sydney, S.S.W., showery, 69°.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR MARCH 17.

Sun rises at 6.3, sets at 6.13; Moon, 8.19 p.m., 8.44 a.m.; Mercury, 6.59 a.m., 6.39 p.m.; Venus, 9.21 a.m., 8.0 p.m.; Mars, 11.17 p.m., 1.37 p.m.; Jupiter, 6.16 a.m., 6.27 p.m.; Saturn, 6.18 p.m., 6.2 a.m.

Full moon, 13th; new moon, 28th.

High water at Fort Denison, 10.24 a.m., 10.40 p.m.

H. C. RUSSELL, Government Astronomer.

WHOSE DUTY IS IT?

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—It is a rule in country districts that whereever a road maintenance man may be in fine weather he should certainly be on the road under his care when it rains, as it is then that he can see where repairs are most needed. If those who are responsible for our city streets would follow the same plan they would find that a large percentage of the city verandahs are so out of repair or the spouting so clogged with refuse that instead of being a protection against rain they are often the contrary. Another evil in Sydney streets is that when buildings are being erected earth, bricks, lime, &c., are carted and delivered over the footway in the busiest part of the day. This is very noticeable in Pitt-street, where hundreds of ladies shopping are turned into the roadway and the mud to allow of building material being delivered, which should have been carted during the early morning. Our streets in these respects are most disgracefully mismanaged, and excite the wonder of those from other countries, America especially, where the bylaws are stringent and rigidly enforced. Whose duty is it to see these evils removed? I am, &c.,

MACADAM.

March 16.

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TRADES MOVEMENTS.

THE LABOUR LEAGUE DISPUTE.

A meeting of the central executive of the Labour Electoral League was held in the Trades Hall last evening. Mr. M'Naught occupied the chair. Only one representative of the Trades and Labour Council (Mr. Eli Morsmon) attended.

The following letter was received from Messrs. C. Jones and J. E. West, trustees of the Trades and Labour Council:—"In accordance with a resolution of the Trades and Labour Council of New South Wales, we hereby demand that within 14 days from date you deliver up all books, documents, and moneys, the property of the council, now in your possession, to the custody of the secretary of the said council, at his office, Trades Hall-buildings."

Mr. MANNING moved, and Mr. MATTHEWS seconded,—"That the secretary write to the secretary of the Trades and Labour Council, and inform that body that this committee has already appointed a secretary, trustees, and a treasurer, and do not recognise the right of the Trades and Labour Council to make any demands for moneys or papers the property of the leagues."

Mr. G. WAITE moved, and Mr. BRONSDEN seconded, as an amendment,—"That the secretary inform the Trades and Labour Council that this committee, having in accordance with its rules appointed a secretary, treasurer, and trustees, the property of the leagues is vested in those officers."

After debate the amendment was carried.

The Millers Point branch of the West Sydney League forwarded the following resolution carried by that body for the consideration of the executive:—"That, in the opinion of this league, the dispute at present existing between the Trades and Labour Council and the Central Federation of the Labour Electoral League re rules 7 and 8 (new rules as amended by the late conference) should at once be submitted to a conference of three or more delegates from each body, as desired by your committee; both parties agreeing to abide by the decision of such conference, as the present warfare is calculated to damage that unity which should exist between all classes of workers or those who are endeavouring to ameliorate the lot of the toiling masses."

The letter was received, but the suggestion was not entertained.

The brewery employees held their usual meeting at the Trades' Hall last evening. The picnic committee submitted a balance-sheet showing an income of £122 19s, and an expenditure of £92 12s 8d, leaving a clear profit to the unions of £30 6s 4d. The sum of £2 2s was voted towards the support of the Hunter River smelters. A number of prizes won at the picnic sports were handed to the successful competitors. The principal prizes were a gold medal (first prize for the Cask Chiming Race), won by Mr. Funnell, and a silver medal (second prize in the Cask Chiming Race), won by Mr. M'Namara.

The Confectioners' Union last evening took into consideration the strike of confectioners at Fitzroy, Victoria, and after debate it was resolved to write to the Melbourne union for further particulars. A motion was carried instructing the secretary to write to the secretary of the Trades and Labour Council for the purpose of ascertaining whether that body intends to take any steps regarding the widespread distress existing among unionists through depression in trade.

DOCTORS AND THEIR PATIENTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Amongst the good-natured banter directed against the medical profession in your "Fugitive Notes" of to-day's issue are two points which I think call for comment. 1. The suggestion that doctors should contract for attendance on their patients. 2. That under the existing arrangements it is to the interest of doctors to keep people ill. To deal with the latter case first, I will begin by examining the comparison instituted by your contributor between doctors and lawyers. They are not in the same relative position at all as regards their clients or patients. The patient can leave the doctor at any moment if he becomes dissatisfied, and call in whom he chooses. The client of the lawyer is by no means able to change horses so easily, as we know that for many reasons it is difficult and very expensive to make a change in one's legal adviser in the course of a suit, no matter how prolonged.

Hence it follows that a doctor who is young, or in only moderate practice, is much more anxious to get good results, and therefore recommendation to others, than to keep his patient ill in the hopes of running up a large bill, as in the latter attempt he may be frustrated at any moment by another opinion being sought, or by a change of medical adviser.

The doctor who is in full swing and practice is too thoroughly occupied to wish to prolong cases, and generally gets blame, when he is blamed at all, for the lack of attention, which is unavoidable through press of work, and it must always be remembered that press of work does not mean excess of income, for during "a rattling pestilence" there are always many cases which must be attended to promptly, from whom the prospect of remuneration is very remote indeed.

I do not know that the medical profession has greater claim to "nobility" of nature than any other; but I wish to show that it is no "straining of human nature" but pure self-interest which (in the vast majority of cases) induces the doctor to do the best he can for his patients.

As to the first, or more important point, the idea is not a new one, and has been frequently carried into practice, more particularly in large households, to the complete satisfaction of both doctor and patient. The reason it is not more general is owing to the absence of any organisation for setting such a plan in operation. In order that the charges should be moderate to the patient and sufficiently remunerative to the doctor the clientèle would have to include considerable numbers, and of hale as well as ailing. Now, it is very hard to induce a man who has never required a doctor all his life to provide by an annual payment for medical attendance unless the sum were infinitesimal. And if only the sick or those liable to illness are willing to join such an organisation, it stands to reason the annual payment could not be fixed at much below the average of their medical bills for a series of past years, and this would probably be considered too high. It would be quite opposed to the best traditions of the medical profession for any member of it to organise and canvass for such a scheme, for the best of reasons, that by doing so he could not avoid trying to influence those who might be the patients of his confrères; but if the organisation were undertaken by those who, according to your contributor, ought to be most interested in the scheme, viz., the general public, there is nothing to prevent any medical man of repute from undertaking the duties, provided the remuneration was considered fair. Neither is there, in my opinion, anything to prevent a medical man from receiving names of those wishing to co-operate in this manner, when the scale of charges would depend upon the number applying and the quality of the "lives," in the setting of which the assistance of an actuary might be called in. Special rates might be fixed for chronic invalids, or for those ill at the time of joining, and operations of all kinds would be subject to special arrangement.

Although not at all averse to trying the scheme as an experiment, I am still of opinion that the interests of patients are best served by the old and time-honoured custom of charging for work done.

I am, &c.,

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Funerals.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. CARL ZUCKER, of Narani Saw Mills, Myall Lakes, are informed that his Funeral takes place THIS (Thursday) MORNING, leaving Glenhurst, Yarranabee-road, Darling Point, at 9 a.m., for Waverley Cemetery. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD M'DERMOTT are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved DAUGHTER, Ellen; to move from their residence, 203 Cumberland-street, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at quarter-past 1 o'clock, for Necropolis. Mrs. P. KIRBY, Undertaker, 88 Hunter-st.

THE FRIENDS of CHARLES and MARGARET TIMMS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved DAUGHTER, Rose Adelaide; to move from their residence, 75 Bowman-street, Pyrmont, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. FERDINAND BAUER are respectfully informed that his Funeral will take place THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON; to move from the Imperial Hotel, Wynyard-square, at half-past 1 o'clock, for Necropolis. WALTER STEWART, Undertaker, Bathurst-street.

THE FRIENDS of the late CHARLES THOMSETT are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, 111 Duke-street, at quarter-past 1 o'clock, THIS DAY, for Rookwood Cemetery.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. CHARLES THOMPSETT are respectfully requested to attend his Funeral; to move from 111 Duke-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, to Necropolis. W. J. DIXON, Undertaker, 120 Oxford-street; 193 George-street West.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mrs. ESTHER CLINGAN are kindly invited to attend her Funeral; to move from her late residence, 80 Wyndham-street, Alexandria, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, to Necropolis. CHAS. KINSELA, Undertaker, 765 George-street, opposite Christ Church; and Rockdale.

THE FRIENDS of JAMES and JANE CLINGAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved MOTHER, Esther; to move from her late residence, 80 Wyndham-street, Alexandria, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, to the Necropolis. CHAS. KINSELA, Undertaker, Geo. and Oxford sts.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. CHARLES GANDER are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, 12 Turner-street, Redfern, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at quarter to 2 o'clock, to Necropolis. CHAS. KINSELA, Undertaker, 765 George-street, opposite Christ Church. Telephone 995.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. SLATER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, Charles Gander; to move from his late residence, 12 Turner-street, Redfern, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, to Necropolis. CHAS. KINSELA, Undertaker, George-street.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. CHARLES HARPUR are kindly informed that his Funeral will leave his late residence, Arthur-street, Marrickville, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at quarter to 2 o'clock, for Petersham station, thence to Wesleyan Cemetery, Necropolis. GOMMESON and CO., Undertakers.

NO. 5 SCHOMBERG LODGE, P.A.F.S.A.—The Officers and Members of the above Lodge are requested to attend the Funeral of our beloved BROTHER, Charles Harpur; to move from Lillian Cottage, Arthur-street, Marrickville, at 1.45 THIS DAY, for Petersham Station, and thence to the Necropolis. M. TURNER, Sec.

THE FRIENDS of EDWARD, RICHARD, and THOMAS DWYER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved BROTHER, Patrick; to move from St. Joseph's Hospital, Parramatta, thence by train to Rookwood, at 2 o'clock TO-DAY, THURSDAY. Friends from Sydney will please meet funeral at Rookwood.

THE FRIENDS of JAMES WALLACH are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved WIFE, Ida Wilhelmina; which will move from Dalbeattie Villa, Donnelly-street, Balmain, TO-MORROW (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers.

THE FRIENDS of Mrs. WILLIAM WRIGHT are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved DAUGHTER, the late Mrs. Ida W. Wallach; which will move from her residence, Dalbeattie Villa, Donnelly-street, Balmain, TO-MORROW (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. Wood and Co.

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TENDERS are invited for the undermentioned Supplies for the current year:—
Printing
Cartage
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Blue metal
Tarred ashes
Sand.

Tender forms may be obtained, and specifications inspected, at this Office during office hours.

Tenders, properly endorsed, must be sent to the undersigned not later than 7 p.m. on MONDAY, March 21, 1892.

EDWARD A. PYMAN,
Council Clerk.

Council-chambers, Enfield,
March 10, 1892.

BLUE METAL, all gauges, SCREENINGS, GRAVEL and RIVER SAND, at lowest prices. EMU GRAVEL and ROAD METAL COMPANY, Limited, Norwich-chambers, Hunter-street.

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IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF C. WERNER, COOLABAH.

The Trustees in the above Estate are open to receive OFFERS for the following Properties, either in lots or as a whole.

Being situated in the midst of a large Pastoral District, and commanding business from the Macquarie to Cobar and Nyngan to Byrock, affords to speculators a good opportunity for a sound investment.

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All communications to be addressed to, and further information may be obtained from
The Trustees in the Estate of C. WERNER,
c. o. Messrs. J. FRAZER and CO.,
York-street, Sydney,
or their Agent, Coolabah.

A.

LAND, consisting of 10 half-acre Allotments, 1 to 10, section 23, Bourke-street, Coolabah, county of Canbelego, parish of Glenariff, situated immediately facing the railway station, and on which are the following improvements: Underground Tank, brick and cement, estimated to hold 176,000 gallons.
HOTEL (weatherboard), Outbuildings, Stabling, &c.
Two-story Brick BUILDING, part hotel and part offices
Two Galvanised-iron STORES, 120ft. x 24ft., and 60ft. x 27ft.
Butcher's SHOP and Slaughter-yard
Baker's SHOP
Blacksmith's ditto
COTTAGE (weatherboard)
MACHINERY, viz., one 6-horse-power Horizontal Engine, one Sausage Machine, one Steam Washing Machine, all in good working order
Surface TANK, 1400 cubic yards
Pig-proof Fence all round.

B.

LAND, 10 half-acre Allotments, 1 to 10, section 22, as above, on which are following improvements:—
Weatherboard HOUSE (unfinished)
Stabling, Outhouses, &c.; ground planted with about 300 fruit trees, 1 and 2 years old; pig-proof fence all round.

C.

LAND, 2 Allotments (half-acre), 1 and 10, section 21, county of Canbelego, parish of Bega, village of Coolabah.

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IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF A. J. PRIOR, of Milton, General Storekeeper, &c.

TENDERS are hereby invited till March 19th for the Purchase of the following Assets:—

LOT 1.

Consisting of Drapery, Clothing, Hosiery, Hats, &c.	£1016 10 5
Boots and Shoes	86 2 4
Hardware	154 3 9
Fancy Goods	23 11 10
Grocery	133 19 3
Working Plant	168 3 0
	£1582 10 7

LOT 2.

Book Debts considered Good	£355 10 10
Book Debts considered B. and D.	£581 7 8
	£1936 1 5

The stock calculated at laid down cost is in good marketable condition, and fairly assorted throughout, is now open for inspection to buyers on the premises, Milton, where stock-sheets can be seen and tender forms procured, or from the undersigned.

Tenders will be received for each lot separately, or the two conjointly.

No tender will be entertained unless upon our printed form, and accompanied with a marked cheque or bank draft equal to 10 per cent. of the amount tendered.

J. T. DAVENPORT and CO.,
Public Accountants.

P. O.-chambers,
Pitt-street,
March 12, 1892.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE of GEORGE HOOPER, Draper, &c., NORTH SYDNEY.

TENDERS are invited for the undermentioned Stock, and will be received up to noon of TUESDAY NEXT, the 22nd INSTANT.

STOCK comprising—

Millinery, Corsets, and Underclothing	£186 11 6
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Hosiery and Gloves	80 14 1
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Haberdashery	110 6 6
	£880 2 7

Tenders to be accompanied by a deposit of 10 per cent.
The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
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Sydney, March 16, 1892.

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The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
By order of the Board.

WILLIAM KNOX,
Secretary.

Melbourne, March 14, 1892.

IN THE BANKRUPT ESTATE OF MICHAEL BARNETT SILK, of 45 Wynyard-square, Sydney, Tailor.

TENDERS will be received by me at my office, 47 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, up till 12 o'clock on FRIDAY next, the 18th instant, for the Stock-in-Trade and Fittings, &c., in above estate.

The stock is nearly new and in first-class order.

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TENDERS for the Right to Supply Refreshments at the Lillie Bridge Grounds during the International Tug-of-War (which commences on Saturday night, 26th March) will be received by the undersigned, up till 12 o'clock noon, next SATURDAY, 19th March.

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198 Pitt-street.

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O'Connell-street.

TO ELECTRICIANS and Others.—The Balmain New Ferry Company, Limited.—TENDERS will be received up till noon of MONDAY, the 28th instant, for the Electric Lighting of the Boats of this Company. Particulars at this office. WILLIAM HENDERSON, Secretary.
9 Shelley-street, Sydney, 15th March, 1892.

TENDERS are invited for the Boot Stock of T. E. Plasto, also Fixtures, Fittings, and Glass Case, highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Apply T. E. PLASTO, 612 George-street.

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TENDERS will be received at the office of the Commissioners up to noon of FRIDAY, the 18th March, from persons desirous of Supplying and Maintaining an efficient STEAM-TUG for use at WOLLONGONG, on the basis of an annual subsidy from the Commissioners of this Trust, and with the right reserved to the tenderer to charge shipping for the use of the Tug at rates not exceeding fourpence (4d) per registered ton, both in and out, with a minimum of £1 10s.

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The conditions of the contract may be had on application at the office of the Commissioners.

The Commissioners will not necessarily accept the lowest or any tender.

By order.
CHAS. E. EGLESE,
Secretary
The Wollongong Harbour Trust Commissioners.
Office—Town Hall, Wollongong,
March 7, 1892.

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